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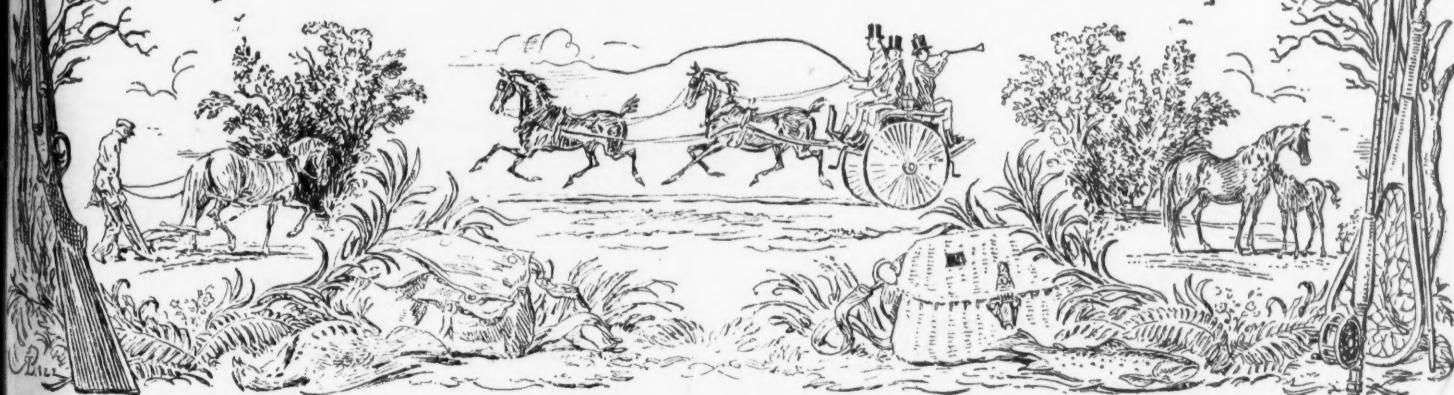
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# Horse Shows

## Charley Lewis Pilots Substitution To Blues In D. C. Show

By Margaret Cotter

Charles Lewis rode Mrs. John Maloney's Substitution to a grand slam victory as he took 3 blue ribbons out of 3 classes at the Washington Bridle Trails Association's 6th annual horse show held Sunday at North End Stables on the East West Highway near Washington, D. C. Charley Lewis displayed his usual top horsemanship in piloting the Thoroughbred son of Playdale—Scansie Ann, by Reverly Boy to a total of 15 points and the hunter tricolor.

Mr. and Mrs. George Mueller's \*Ballela with Frank "Happy" Christman up, turned in brilliant performances to gain 10 points and wind up his day as reserve champ to Substitution.

Charley and Substitution started the ball rolling in the open hunter class with a faultless round over the outside course when they defeated a large and classy field. This victory gave Mrs. Maloney one "leg" on the coveted Woodbourne Trophy, which must be won 3 times by the same owner. \*Ballela, the 1944-45 winner, was 2nd today.

Substitution's next appearance came in the hunter hack event where he caught the judges' eyes by his smooth performance at a walk, trot, canter and over jumps. And Charley Lewis climaxed his undefeated day's competition by a perfect round in the working hunter to best 18 other entries including Dr. Alvin Kay's Phantom Raider, \*Ballela and Edward Altemus' Scotch Yarn, which finished behind him in that order.

\*Ballela didn't have a chance to be judged with Substitution for conformation alone as the Maloney entry did not arrive in time for the model class. \*Ballela emerged victor from this latter with Mrs. Morton Govern's new acquisition, Mentu, placing 2nd and Miss Anne Hagner's After Dark, 3rd.

Mrs. Tina Hume was on hand to see her pet, Tabu receive the jumper championship. Five-year-old Tabu was bred, raised and schooled by Fred Hughes, who rode this son of Carry Knight (also raised by Hughes) and Double Scotch today. Tabu amassed 11 points for his honor, and although he did not win a blue he was placed in each class he entered, gaining 3 seconds and a 3rd.

Dr. Alvin Kay was wearing a very pleased expression at the end of the show, not only because his consistent campaigner, Smacko finished as reserve jumper champ, but also because his young horse, Phantom Raider, although he is a mere beginner in this game, excelled himself by topping the field of novice hunters—and, against aged and experienced contestants, came back with the 2nd ribbon in the working hunter.

Most sensational win of the day was that of Mrs. John Curry in the versatility jumping class. Mrs. Curry on her little Smoky Mist, daughter of Bonne Nuit, was the only one able to survive the difficult course with but one fault.

The junior division was dominated

## Bayview Has Large Turnout In Season's First Outdoor Show

By "Broadview"

On April 19, the Bayview Riding and Driving Club of Toronto, Canada, staged their first horse show of the season in the outdoor show ring of the Pogue Riding Academy.

Holidaying Torontonians came out in large numbers. The day was ideal but turned cool later in the afternoon. A collection was made for the Evening Telegram's War Victims Fund.

Early in the year for outdoor horse shows in Canada, there were few of the larger stables competing. The program, made up of classes for jumpers and green hunters, included no hunter classes.

Outstanding jumpers at the show were young Doug Cudney's Royal Princess who won the knock-down-and-out stake. The Cudneys brought 2 horses from Winona, Ontario, much the farthest distance travelled to attend the show. Jack Rabbit with her enthusiastic young rider, Guilliam Watson, captured the performance stake and placed 2nd in the knock-down-and-out; to the cheering of the crowd who were all pulling for this valiant pair. This was their first appearance since the St. Catharines' show last summer, when they came a terrible smasher and Guilliam has had her arm and shoulder in a cast until only a month ago.

Chas. Loveless' very impressive young horse Going Hi won the triple bar class ably piloted by Jimmy Pogue.

The class for riding school horses brought out a large entry of Whitewoods' Riding School pupils. A very useful bay horse of the Pogue establishment won the class over one of Whitewoods' entries. Mr. Whitewood's daughter, Patsy, and his son, Sonny, who served in the Air Force, were nicely turned out on 2 greys to compete and capture ribbons in other classes.

Tom Gayford won the challenge trophy for junior riders presented by Mrs. C. C. Mann. Eddie Cooper placed 1st in the jumping class for members, amateur riders, on his big, black Torpedo, jumping in very workmanlike fashion.

The performance class for horses that had never won a 1st, 2nd or 3rd ribbon brought out some very green ones which were interesting to watch and had, I believe, the largest entry of the day. Skyline Tommy was the winner, owned by Chas. McMullen.

Both pleasure hack and road hack classes went to Mr. Lyon's Lady Lil. Eddie Tweddle acted as judge.

by Mrs. Lee Counselman's Kristie, winner of both the hunter and jumper events and 2nd placer in the road hacks. Miss Shelly Warren on her Bill's Lass was the only entry to defeat Kristie as she took the latter.

Charley Lewis can now take a round-trip flight to Norfolk, Va. in a new D C 4, final award, presented by the Penna. Central Air Lines for winning most points throughout the show.

## THE SPORTING CALENDAR

### NOTICE

Current space limitations prevent the publication of The Sporting Calendar each week. For the time being this calendar, complete with the most up-to-date listing of all sporting fixtures will be published the first week of each month. Attention is invited to this change and it is requested that all dates for new fixtures, changes and other addenda be reported promptly to The Chronicle, Middleburg, Va.

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## Cappy Outstanding Entry As Fairport Revives Fixture

By Edward Dickinson

For the first time since the spring of 1941, Fairport, New York, saw its own horse show—under the management of George Caler with Christopher Wadsworth officiating as judge in all classes. There have been days when the footing in the show ring was better—in fact, Sunday, May 19, found the ring muddy, rutty, and covered with a heavy grass. Three or four thousand spectators were on hand, and a number of newcomers to shows in the area turned out to take part and to find themselves well applauded.

Only 2 entries turned up for the hunter class which was awarded to John D. Murphy's Showman by Harmonicon. And of the 6 entries in the using pleasure horse class, M. E. Perlman's Bunker Hill, a Thoroughbred, was winner.

Jack Rahn won the children's horsemanship class in a field of 6, with Kent Raziano doing a very good job for the 2nd place.

The open jumping class, without a jump-off, went to Mrs. Rose Carney's Cappy, ridden by the owner and the 2nd went to John D. Murphy's Baby Face, by Hurry Off, ridden by James S. Meisenzahl, just out of the Army and not seen in western New York horse show rings since 1941. Irish Echo, owned by Larry Carney and ridden by him won the novice jumping class after a jump off with Kent Raziano's Sport. After following the western New York horse shows since 1941, it seemed that everyone of the 12 entries was a novice.

Mr. and Mrs. William C. Faugh donated a trophy for amateur jumping, to be won twice. After 2 jump offs this went to Cappy, again ridden by Mrs. Carney with 2nd to Dr. V. J. Levy's Vee Jay, by \*Brumado. The first trial saw both entries give clean performances; the first jump off saw both entries knock down the last jump; while in the 2nd jump off Cappy was clean and Vee Jay knocked down the last jump, a 4'-6" post-and-rail.

### SUMMARIES

Hunters—1. Showman, John D. Murphy; 2. Peal O' Thunder, Michael J. Magde.

Using pleasure horses—1. Bunker Hill, M. E. Perlman; 2. Grey Billy, Philip Van Deventer; 3. Holady, Miss Grace Gillespie; 4. Chocolate Chip, Charlotte Pierson.

Horsemanship—1. Jack Rahn; 2. Philip Van Deventer; 3. Kent Raziano; 4. Miss Charlotte Pierson.

Open jumping—1. Cappy, Mrs. Rose Carney; 2. Baby Face, John D. Murphy; 3. Sky's Double, Mr. and Mrs. William C. Faugh, Jr.; 4. Flying Dutchman, F. M. Langer.

Novice jumpers—1. Irish Echo, Laurence Carney; 2. Sport, Kent Raziano; 3. Miss Annette, John Van Sanford; 4. Devil's Daughter, Robert Cee.

Faugh Challenge Trophy, for amateur jumpers—1. Cappy, Mrs. Rose Carney; 2. Vee Jay, Dr. V. J. Levy; 3. Maybe, Christopher Di Dio; 4. Baby Face, John D. Murphy.

Road hacks—1. Fidget, Maple Brook Farms; 2. Showman, John D. Murphy; 3. Peal O' Thunder, Michael J. Magde; 4. Bunker Hill, M. E. Perlman.

Knock-down-and-out—1. Little Joe, Harley Seaman; 2. Baby Face, John D. Murphy; 3. Sky's Double, Mr. and Mrs. William C. Faugh, Jr.; 4. Hi-Jack, Mr. and Mrs. Edwin Spittal.

## Northern California Circuit Has Busy Week With Four Shows

By The Railbird

The week of April 28 to May 5 was a busy one in northern California, with 4 horse-shows taking place over the 2 week-ends.

First on the roster was the ever colorful 6th annual Napa Horsemen's Ass'n. Show on April 28. This show is always the opener of the northern season, and is literally "Old Home Week" for horse people from all over the state, for renewing acquaintances is as much a feature as the events themselves. No one who owns a horse would think of missing it, and this year's attendance went well over the 2,000 mark. Two old favorites, Eva Gene Dauger's sharp little Bivouac and Olive Crossen's fleet and lovely Comet, both of Sacramento, were the winners of open jumpers and open hunters respectively, and showed themselves more than ready for the coming season.

Opening the circuit of county fairs was the Solano County Fair at Dixon on May 3, with all its fanfare and gaiety—pop-corn, ferris wheels, games of chance and music running competition to the very excellent horse show. The open jumpers saw the return to the winner's circle of Barbara Worth Zimmerman's popular big gray Billy Sunday, while the open hunter's was another victory for that sensational chestnut of Ann McCoy's, Mr. O'Malley, who in 5 shows has taken 11 blues, 4 championships, and 1 grand championship.

Dust, sunshine, and a parade of 200 stock and trail horses was the keynote of the 5th annual American Legion Horseshow at Lodi, and the English type horses had little opportunity to shine, being allowed only an open jumper class. Olive Crossen's Comet proved herself as good a jumper as hunter by flying over the jumps cleanly for the blue, with Fred Anderson's Kautious Kitty 2nd and Virginia Grant's Wishbone 3rd. The same day, May 5, saw another American Legion show at Boyes Springs in Sonoma County, with Barbara Zimmerman capturing 3 of the 4 open jumper ribbons. Billy Sunday and Mrs. J. B. Brow's Y Bar Me, ridden by Mrs. Zimmerman, tied for 1st with clean goes, Virginia Forsythe's Sierra Sue won the jump-off for 3rd over Mrs. Zimmerman's fast improving 4-year-old, Iron Saxon.

Otto Rousseau of Los Angeles tied the ribbons at Napa while Prof. C. E. Howell of the University of California Agricultural College officiated at the Dixon Fair.

### SUMMARIES

#### NAPA VALLEY

Open jumpers—1. Bivouac, Eva Gene Dauger; 2. Plucky Spirit, Bill Arruda; 3. Billy Sunday, Barbara Worth Zimmerman; 4. Y Bar Me, Mrs. J. E. Brown.

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## Fairhaven 2nd Annual Horse Show

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By Margaret Cotter

The Potomac Hunt out in Montgomery County, Md., was the scene recently of a meeting of members, the purpose of which was to elect officers for the coming season and to hash over last year's activities.

The most important election of the evening was that of Master of Hounds, and Marshal Exnicios was voted to be joint-Master with Ralph P. Counselman. Mr. Exnicios is a veteran of the 3-years service with the American Air Force.

Mr. Counselman has been M. F. H. for several years. Mr. Exnicios has had many years association with Potomac Hunt, dating back to the old Riding and Hunt Club days when that organization was established at 22nd and P. streets in Washington. For 15 years he has acted as honorary whipper-in for this group and members feel that as joint-Master he will afford great sport next season.

Other elections included that of Dr. Robert Moran, who, by overwhelming vote, was selected as a member of the hunt committee. Secretary F. Moran McConaughay was re-elected as was Chairman Edward Altemus and Treasurer L. H. La Mott. New members elected were Dr. John Lyons and Dr. Joseph Horgan.

Mrs. Robert Moran, head of the ladies committee last year, read her report of past activities and members were exceptionally pleased with the results. Mrs. Moran somehow finds time to hunt regularly and also to organize and run parties at the club house throughout the season.

Potomac Hunt is expanding by leaps and bounds. A few years ago members purchased land on Glen Road where the stables, kennels and club house now stand. Plans for

## Dedham Country & Polo Club Suffer Fire Loss; Horses, Hounds Saved

Late in the afternoon of Tuesday, May 8, just 6 days after Mrs. Elizabeth Arden Graham lost her 2-year-olds racing string in the Maine Chance Farm stable fire at Arlington Park, a similar destructive blaze broke out mysteriously in the Dedham Country and polo Club Hounds stable and kennels at Dedham, Mass. Quentin Woods, an employee who works on the Dedham golf course, passed the stables on his way home from work at 5:30 P. M. and heard the first alarmed cries of horses in their burning stalls.

Smoke was beginning to seep out from under the stable floor but this was the only indication of trouble at that time. Woods ran to call two stablemen, who had finished water-

more improvements are already underway.

The beautiful new show ring and rolling outside course will be officially inaugurated at the first big show held by the hunt, which will take place on Sunday, June 23. This event will be an annual affair and judging by the enthusiasm displayed by those present at the meeting it will be a tremendous success. A. G. Ernst, owner of the consistent jumper, Dickie Boy, is in charge of this show and has announced that cash prizes and trophies will be offered in the 19 classes.

Col. H. H. Semmes, former M. F. H. of the hunt, made an excellent suggestion before the meeting was adjourned. It is his idea to dedicate a room of the club house to the late Gen. George S. Patton, Jr. Mr. Semmes, a personal friend of the great general, served with Gen. Patton in both World War I and II. The suggestion was unanimously accepted and plans for the "George Patton Room" are already underway.

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ing the horses half an hour before when all was well, and finding Paddy Killoran, aged 56, and Mike Hayes, 44, they went into the stable where they found the fire well advanced. By then all the horses were frightened and the men opened their stall doors and drove them out. They managed to lead some of them to a nearby paddock but this means of rescue proved too slow. Giving it up, they turned the horses completely loose to fend for themselves.

One man was posted at the stable door to see that none ran back and only one excited mare managed to force her way back through the guard. There was considerable struggle to get her out again but it was accomplished and for once in the history of a stable fire we hear of no horse getting back and remaining to find his own destruction in the flames. The rescue of 23 horses, most of them working hunters and children's hunting ponies, is certainly a credit to cool headedness.

Going to the kennels which by then were also ablaze, they lifted the Dedham Hounds out one by one and placed them in a station wagon which was quickly driven to a remote part of the golf course with its precious cargo. The horses were by that time running wildly about and many of them galloped off across the carefully tended golf links of the Dedham Club. One terrified horse knocked down his rescuer, Paddy Killoran, and trampled him. The Irishman, who has taken care of horses at the Dedham Club for many years, was fortunate to get out of this with only a badly bruised leg.

Confusion was just beginning to get well underway, when Mrs. Robert B. Almy, former Master of Foxhounds, drove into the yard in her car. Mrs. Almy told the men that horses were running frantically down the roads in groups of 3 and 4. Cars were forced to stop on route No. 128 in Dedham to avoid galloping runaways.

It is fortunate indeed that the worst injuries received by the horses were slight cuts and bruises from their mad flight down the hard roads.

Flames were seen leaping as high as 100 feet in the air and could be seen for 10 miles. The entire countryside turned out to help and the fire and police departments of 4 towns sent out alarms. The main stable burned to the ground but a smaller barn and the hunt kennels were partially saved. Although all horses and hounds got out safely, some 50 good saddles and bridles were destroyed in the fire, as were 6 tons of hay and 300 bushels of grain.

Anyone who has tried to replace valuable tack in these days will appreciate the problem of the club members whose tack was lost. The total damage to buildings, feed, and equipment is roughly estimated at \$35,000.

The horses ran loose across the countryside most of the night and it was well past midnight before the last of them was rounded up. A few of the quieter ponies returned to the club grounds of their own accord. Others were caught by strangers on the roads and in the towns. The more nervous of them however ran for miles and were wringing wet when finally found.

Hounds, which have been hunted this past year by Mrs. Almy's young daughter, Miss "Dabby" Almy, were returned via the station wagon to a portion of their kennels late that night.

Among the owners of horses imperilled by the fire, were Mrs. Almy, of Boston and Dedham, Roger B. Conant of Dedham, Arnault B. Edgerly of Dedham, and Dr. George C. Shattuck of Brookline, Mass. The Almys, who were kept busy at the fire directing the temporary stabling of homeless horses, said that people had been wonderful about offering their stables and that the whole experience was a revelation of the kindness of the countryside.

Regardless of the fire, the Annual Dedham Horse Show will be held May 30 as scheduled.—Nancy B. Johnson.

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The number of hunters bred would be smaller still were it not for the fact that hunting is one of the most absorbing of sports. There is nothing quite like the thrill of riding a horse you have bred, broken and schooled yourself, particularly when he carries you brilliantly through a hard, fast hunt and is 1 of the select few to see the finish.

Most hunting men would be glad to breed their own horses if they had a reasonable chance of breaking even. Many of them try it for a few years and then, disheartened, replace their broodmares with beef cattle or some other livestock of an established breed which will reproduce itself with some degree of reliability. The number of hunter breeders who are producing the right type of horse on any sort of scale and on a profitable basis is very small indeed.

Another reason why the supply of hunters is not still smaller is that we have available the by-products of other breeding ventures. The Thoroughbred hunter is largely a by-product of race horse breeding. Of the 6000-odd Thoroughbred foals born every year in the United States, a considerable number are discarded or are not used for racing and of these in turn only a small number, probably not more than 5 percent of the total, are suitable to become hunters. The same situation obtains to a lesser extent in England.

The fact of the matter is that hunter breeding is carried on largely in a haphazard and unsystematic manner. One has only to compare it with the production of other breeds of livestock. We can breed Percheron horses, Shetland ponies, Angus cattle, Southdown sheep or Berkshire hogs and be reasonably sure of uniform and successful results when we plan our matings. Hunter breeding as generally conducted, however, is a gamble—with the odds stacked against the breeder.

One result of haphazard breeding methods is that the supply of good hunter prospects is entirely inadequate, which in turn tends to make the price high and the sport too much of a rich man's game. Such methods, because they are unprofitable, discourage production. Only a small proportion of the horses bred expressly for hunting measure up to the standard of what a hunter should be. If anyone doubts this statement let him try to go out and buy, at reasonable prices, 3 or 4 young hunter prospects with size, conformation and disposition that are unblemished, unspoiled and quiet to handle.

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## Juniors Brave Bad Weather In Sunnyfield Horse Show In Delaware

The 1st Annual Sunnyfield Horse Show was held Sunday, May 5, at Faulk and Shipley Roads, Wilmington, Del. The outstanding success of this recently organized show, which was ably judged by H. C. Baldwin, Jr. and W. R. Johnson, of West Chester, Penna., was a fine tribute to the committee which had worked so diligently against adverse weather conditions to stage the show.

Many of the ribbons were garnered by the junior riders, paced by Miss Christine Lawrence, Miss Betty Knowles and Miss Peggy Smith, all of whom, with their mounts, gave consistently good performances throughout the afternoon.

Miss Betty Knowles and Miss Christine Lawrence rode My Chum and Tinker respectively to win the pairs of hunters.

### Summaries

Lead line—1. Lois Hopper; 2. James Talley; 3. Joanne Hooper.

Bareback jumping—1. Scout, O. E. Bartsch, Jr.; 2. Tinka, Christine Lawrence; 3. June Bug, Harold Smith.

Handy hunters—1. Tinka, Christine Lawrence; 2. My Chum, Betty Knowles; 3. High Tor, Alfred M. Clover, Jr.

Hunter hacks—1. High Tor, Alfred M. Clover, Jr.; 2. Tinka, Christine Lawrence; 3. Duchess, Peggy Smith.

Working hunters—1. Outlook, W. N. Steele; 2. Mickey, Clifford Breeding; 3. Prince, C. M. Garretson.

Farmers' jumpers—1. Scout, O. E. Bartsch, Jr.; 2. Janie, Mrs. Roland Koehler; 3. Duchess, Peggy Smith.

Children's hunters—1. My Chum, Betty Knowles; 2. Duchess, Peggy Smith; 3. Outlook, W. N. Steele.

Touch-and-out—1. June Bug, Harold Smith; 2. Ginger, Ruth Steele; 3. My Chum, Betty Knowles.

Pairs of hunters—1. My Chum, Betty Knowles and Tinka, Christine Lawrence; 2. High Tor, Alfred M. Clover, Jr., and Prince, Ethel Thompson; 3. Mickey, Clifford Breeding and Springboard, Norman Zebley.

Consolation—1. Silver Fox, Dr. Harvey Fell; 2. Dick, Frank Leverace; 3. Prince, O. E. Bartsch, Jr.



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## Thoroughbreds

By Salvator

With deference to Salvator, we are maintaining his column head and when he has recovered sufficiently to contribute again, his column will be resumed.

**\*Burma Road Wins  
Appleton Memorial;  
Hidalgo, The Belmont**

Belmont Park's 25th renewal of the \$7,500 Charles L. Appleton Steeplechase and the 7th running of the Belmont Spring Maiden Steeplechase, were run on Thursday and Friday, May 16 and 17. The even level contest that the Appleton proved, when Mrs. E. duPont Weir's lightly weighted \*Burma Road galloped some of the top of the handicap horses to win by 5 lengths, was more than offset by the erratic performance of the maidens the following day, when Mrs. F. Ambrose Clark's Hidalgo returned an easy winner.

The New York turf writers, always quick to pick a bone with 'chasing, found Hidalgo's race, when Bayard Sharp's Lieut. Well and Montpelier's Virelay were the place and show winners and only 5 out of the 11 starters stood up, really a choice example of what tarnishes the prestige of the through the field sport. It has been the habit of these scribes for years to hold their punches for the under dog and this under dog of racing for them is definitely steeplechasing. The inability to really comprehend the sport leaves these writers no other alternative but to single out the sensational aspects, the misadventures, in an effort to destroy the last vestige of the Simon Pure at the races now gone all out in commercialism.

Be it as it may the eyes of the New York Sports writers, Belmont Park's Appleton and Maiden were contests, with a crowd that would have been considered phenomenal in pre-War II years, turning out on Thursday, May 16, in the rain and inclement weather to see a card featured by a stakes steeplechase.

Mrs. Weir's imported bay gelding, bred in Ireland by W. A. Clark and S. J. Parr, had the benefit of Jockey Magee riding. The shortage of seasoned riders is showing up.

\*Burma Road jumped well, accounting for his first victory since he came out in 1944 to win the Belmont Grand National. In trouncing the Appleton field, he defeated Miss Ella Widener's Iron Shot, winner of the 1944 Appleton renewal; Rouge Dragon, the 1944 champion 'chaser, also an Appleton winner; and Thomas T. Mott's Floating Isle, winner of the Corinthian and Meadow Brook

handicaps last year. It was a good field of veterans, backed up with Kent Miller's War Battle, a 5-year-old.

War Battle, son of Battleship, which had beaten Floating Isle and Chesapeake last season, is a difficult one to rate. He went straight to the front with Mrs. F. Ambrose Clark's Chesapeake to set the pace. It was a tiring pace the two made, with Mrs. Clark's color-bearer on top sometimes as many as 15 lengths. When Chesapeake gave it up and

came back, \*Burma Road and Floating Isle had passed War Battle, which order was the ultimate finish.

The M. A. Cushman color-bearer, Rouge Dragon, had been bet to an even money favorite of the race. Some found solace in that he got off poorly. He broke badly, was about to wheel, when the flag fell, but he had ample opportunity to get to the pace and then dropped back. Running in bandages, he seemed not to relish the soft going. \*Burma Road

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## Stake Summaries

## Belmont Park

16th running Acorn Stakes, Tues., May 14, 1 mi., 3-yr.-old fillies. Purse, \$10,000 added; net value to winner, \$9,480; 2nd: \$2,000; 3rd: \$1,000; 4th: \$500. Winner: Ch. f., by Petrose-Herma, by \*Bull Dog. Trainer: F. J. Kearns. Breeder: Valdina Farms, Inc. Time: 1:37 1-5.

1. Earshot, (W. Helis), 121, E. Arcaro, T. Atkinson.

2. Bonnie Beryl, (Belair Stud), 121, J. Longden.

3. Rynta, (Mrs. W. P. Stewart), 121, J. Longden.

Ten started; also ran (order of finish): A. Hanger's Sweet Caprice, 121, F. Zufelt; E. Guerin; C. V. Whitney's Musi Musi, 121, A. Kirkland; H. P. Headley's Athenia, 121, G. Hettlinger; A. C. Ernst's Aladear, 121, J. D. Jessop; Belair Stud's Hypnotic, 121, P. Miller; Louisiana Farm's Best Dress, 121, J. Adams. Won driving by 1/2; place same by 8; show same by 1/2. Scratched: Pristine, Bridal Flower, Athene.

7th running Juvenile Stakes, Sat., May 18, 5 1/2 mi., 2-yr.-olds. Purse, \$10,000 added; net value to winner, \$11,215; 2nd: \$2,000; 3rd: \$1,000; 4th: \$500. Winner: b. c., by Eternal Bull—Red Haze, by Man o' War. Trainer: F. Catrone. Breeder: D. M. Davis. Time: 1:53 3-5.

1. Eternal War, (A. T. Simmons), 122, E. Arcaro.

2. First Flight, (C. V. Whitney), 119, J. Longden.

3. Corinthian, (E. P. Taylor), 113, J. Longden.

Twelve started; also ran (order of finish): J. R. Steinman's Pompeian, 117, T. May; Cain Hoy Stable's Noble Creek, 117, E. Guerin; Mrs. C. O. Iselin's Nassau, 122, W. Morrissey; Dell Stables' Scotch Secret, 113, W. Mehrrens; J. M. Roebling's Marble Arch, 117, T. Atkinson; C. V. Whitney's Phalanx, 122, C. Givens; F. Frankel's Fiddler's Three, 117, J. Adams; Mrs. A. L. Rice's Autofly, 122, B. James; Maine Chance Farm's Nightlife, 113, D. Dodson. Won easily by 3; place driving by 1; show same by neck. Scratched: Transair, Reckon, Gold Bull, Heads or Tails, Miss Disco.

7th running Withers Stakes, Sat., May 18, 1 mi., 3-yr.-olds. Purse, \$25,000 added; net value to winner, \$20,320; 2nd: \$5,000; 3rd: \$2,500; 4th: \$1,250. Winner: dk. b. c., by Heliopolis—Evening Shadow, by \*Bull Dog. Trainer: R. E. Handlen. Breeder: Coldstream Stud. Time: 1:36.

1. Hampden, (Foxcatcher Farms), 126, E. Arcaro.

2. Natches, (Mrs. W. M. Jeffords), 126, J. Longden.

3. Perfect Ebrahim, (Maine Chance Farm), 126, D. Dodson.

Eight started; also ran (order of finish): W. Hells' Rippey, 126, B. James; Mrs. A. Wicfeld's Cable, 126, T. Atkinson; F. Frankel's Blunt Remark, 126, J. D. Jessop; W. P. Chrysler's Cedar Creek, 126, A. Kirkland; J. W. Bowley's Larkmand Andy, 126, R. Donoso. Won driving by 5; place same by 7; show same by head. Scratched: Lord Boswell.

11th running Roger Williams' Cap, Sat., May 18, 1 1-16 mi., 3 & up. Purse, \$10,000 added; net value to winner, \$9,775; 2nd: \$2,000; 3rd: \$1,000; 4th: \$500. Winner: dk. b. c., by Heliopolis—Sun Celtic, by \*Sun Briar. Trainer: H. Brown. Breeder: Coldstream Stud. Time: 1:48 3-5.

1. Helioptic, (W. G. Loew), 117, J. Licausci.

2. Gabe Paul, (W. E. Schliemeyer), 119, W. E. Snyder.

3. Winsome Lad, (R. B. Carroll), 109, C. Ricks.

Thirteen started; also ran (order of finish): Lamoureux & Peat's Momo Flag, 115, F. Maschek; Frances Stable's Allpulch, 110, J. Martin; G. Felkner's Paper Mill, 110, G. Seabro; E. Schwartzaup's Pukka Gin, 116, L. Hansman; Morris Wexler's Plebisite, 113, R. J. Martin; R. B. Carroll's Do-Reigh Mi, 110, F. Zehr; Sandy Lane Farm's Dinner Party, 120, H. Pratt; Old Orchard Farm's Navy, 110, J. Caves; J. Taberillo's Dansation, 110, M. A. Buxton; C. F. Herrmann's Float Me, 115, R. Sisto. Won driving by 1/2; place same by 1; show same by 1 1/2. Scratched: Beldine, F. B. Eye, Leystan. Incoming.

1. Fighting Step, (Murlog Farm), 121, G. South. (dead heat).

2. Reply Paid, (Mrs. L. Rabinowitz), 121, H. Lindberg.

Three started. Won driving by 2. Scratched: Buzfuz, Polynesian, Snow Boots, Alison Peters.

30th running Coaching Club American Oaks, Tues., May 21, 1 1/2 mi., 3-yr.-old fillies. Purse, \$20,000 added; net value to winner, \$21,180; 2nd: \$6,000; 3rd: \$3,000; 4th: \$1,500. Winner: ch. f., by \*Hypnotist II—Valkyr, by Man o' War. Trainer: J. Fitzsimmons. Breeder: Belair Stud. Time: 2:18 4-5.

1. Hypnotic, (Belair Stud), 121, P. Miller.

2. Red Shoes, (H. E. Jackson), 121, C. Kirk.

3. Bonnie Beryl, (Belair Stud), 121, J. Stout.

Five started; also ran (order of finish): Mrs. W. P. Stewart's Rynta, 121, E. Arcaro; Belair

Stud's Foxglove, 121, L. Hansman. Won easily by 2 1/2; place driving by 3; show same by 5. No scratches.

**Lincoln Fields  
At Hawthorne**

19th running Joliet Stakes, Sat., May 18, 5 1/2 mi., 2-yr.-olds. Purse, \$10,000 added; net value to winner, \$8,500; 2nd: \$2,000; 3rd: \$1,000; 4th: \$500. Winner: br. c., by \*Bull Dog—Miss Bunting, by Bunting. Trainer: B. Parke. Breeder: T. C. Piatt & J. Marsch. Time: 1:01 3-5.

1. Preoccupy, (J. Marsch), 122, J. Wagner. Show Blue, (Mrs. A. Sabath), 119, S. Roberts.

3. Colonel O'F, (C. C. Tanner), 125, W. L. Johnson.

Nine started; also ran (order of finish): W. M. Peavey's Jett-Jett, 122, S. Freeman; J. Marsch's Track Ace, 117, J. E. Oros; Sandy Strand Stable's Hair Tonic, 122, M. Caffarilla; F. W. Hooper's Gablestone, 117, S. Brooks; F. J. Valenti's Wiseport, 122, N. L. Pierson; Sandy Strand Stable's Tight Grip, 122, J. Jacobs. Won handily by 2; place driving by 1 1/2; show same by 5. Scratched: Big A., Mr. R. S.

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2. Astrarian-U, (J. L. McKnight), 111, J. Licausci.

3. Hy-Charlie, (Kenmore Stable), 109, F. Maschek.

Eight started; also ran (order of finish): J. P. Holton's Jo Agnes, 113, P. Keiper; J. & A. Beattie's Linwood Jim, 110, R. J. McKeever; Morris Wexler's Air Patrol, 114, R. J. Martin; L. Haymaker's War Page, 108, W. Canning; Brosnan & Halley's Don Miller, 107 1/2, F. Zehr. Won driving by head; place same by 2 1/2; show same by 1 1/2. Scratched: Winsome Lad, Johnny Jr., Windmill, Shiny Penny, Freddie's Pal, Burgo Maid, Cocogrande, Paper Mill.

11th running Bristol Cap, Sat., May 18, 3 1/2 mi., 3 & up. Purse, \$7,500 added; net value to winner, \$6,550; 2nd: \$1,500; 3rd: \$750; 4th: \$300. Winner: ch. g., (5), by Whizazzaway—Tody West, by Westwick. Trainer: E. E. Miles. Breeder: A. M. Chichester. Time: 1:14.

1. West Fleet, (H. T. Darling), 121, H. Pratt.

2. Astrarian-U, (J. L. McKnight), 111, J. Licausci.

3. Winsome Lad, (R. B. Carroll), 109, C. Ricks.

12th running Roger Williams' Cap, Sat., May 18, 1 1-16 mi., 3 & up. Purse, \$10,000 added; net value to winner, \$9,775; 2nd: \$2,000; 3rd: \$1,000; 4th: \$500. Winner: dk. b. c., by Whizazzaway—Tody West, by Westwick. Trainer: E. E. Miles. Breeder: A. M. Chichester. Time: 1:14.

1. Helioptic, (W. G. Loew), 117, J. Licausci.

2. Gabe Paul, (W. E. Schliemeyer), 119, W. E. Snyder.

3. Winsome Lad, (R. B. Carroll), 109, C. Ricks.

13th running Roger Williams' Cap, Sat., May 18, 1 1-16 mi., 3 & up. Purse, \$10,000 added; net value to winner, \$9,775; 2nd: \$2,000; 3rd: \$1,000; 4th: \$500. Winner: dk. b. c., by Whizazzaway—Tody West, by Westwick. Trainer: E. E. Miles. Breeder: A. M. Chichester. Time: 1:14.

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2. Gabe Paul, (W. E. Schliemeyer), 119, W. E. Snyder.

3. Winsome Lad, (R. B. Carroll), 109, C. Ricks.

14th running Roger Williams' Cap, Sat., May 18, 1 1-16 mi., 3 & up. Purse, \$10,000 added; net value to winner, \$9,775; 2nd: \$2,000; 3rd: \$1,000; 4th: \$500. Winner: dk. b. c., by Whizazzaway—Tody West, by Westwick. Trainer: E. E. Miles. Breeder: A. M. Chichester. Time: 1:14.

1. Helioptic, (W. G. Loew), 117, J. Licausci.

2. Gabe Paul, (W. E. Schliemeyer), 119, W. E. Snyder.

3. Winsome Lad, (R. B. Carroll), 109, C. Ricks.

15th running Roger Williams' Cap, Sat., May 18, 1 1-16 mi., 3 & up. Purse, \$10,000 added; net value to winner, \$9,775; 2nd: \$2,000; 3rd: \$1,000; 4th: \$500. Winner: dk. b. c., by Whizazzaway—Tody West, by Westwick. Trainer: E. E. Miles. Breeder: A. M. Chichester. Time: 1:14.

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2. Gabe Paul, (W. E. Schliemeyer), 119, W. E. Snyder.

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2. Gabe Paul, (W. E. Schliemeyer), 119, W. E. Snyder.

3. Winsome Lad, (R. B. Carroll), 109, C. Ricks.

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2. Gabe Paul, (W. E. Schliemeyer), 119, W. E. Snyder.

3. Winsome Lad, (R. B. Carroll), 109, C. Ricks.

20th running Roger Williams' Cap, Sat., May 18, 1 1-16 mi., 3 & up. Purse, \$10,000 added; net value to winner, \$9,775; 2nd: \$2,000; 3rd: \$1,000; 4th: \$500. Winner: dk. b. c., by Whizazzaway—Tody West, by Westwick. Trainer: E. E. Miles. Breeder: A. M. Chichester. Time: 1:14.

1. Helioptic, (W. G. Loew), 117, J. Licausci.

2. Gabe Paul, (W. E. Schliemeyer), 119, W. E. Snyder.

3. Winsome Lad, (R. B. Carroll), 109, C. Ricks.

21st running Roger Williams' Cap, Sat., May 18, 1 1-16 mi., 3 & up. Purse, \$10,000 added; net value to winner, \$9,775; 2nd: \$2,000; 3rd: \$1,000; 4th: \$500. Winner: dk. b. c., by Whizazzaway—Tody West, by Westwick. Trainer: E. E. Miles. Breeder: A. M. Chichester. Time: 1:14.

1. Helioptic, (W. G. Loew), 117, J. Licausci.

2. Gabe Paul, (W. E. Schliemeyer), 119, W. E. Snyder.

3. Winsome Lad, (R. B. Carroll), 109, C. Ricks.

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## Assault Adds Preakness To Derby Triumph

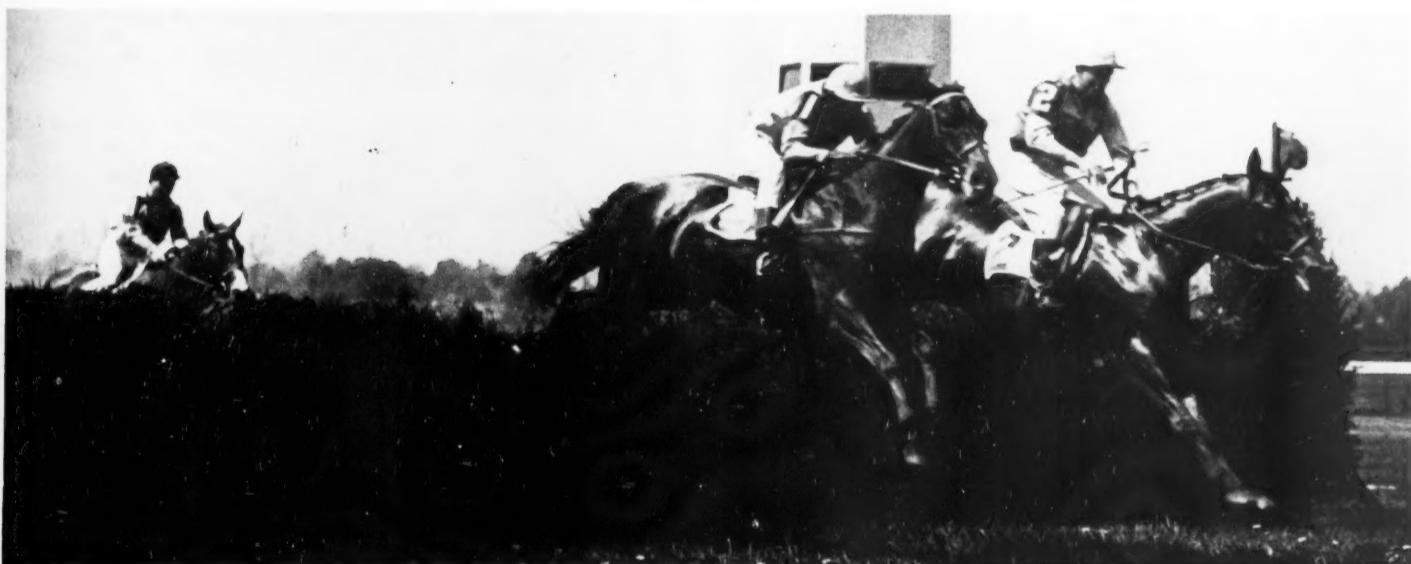
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Robert Kleberg, of King Ranch-Bold Venture fame, with daughter Miss Alice Kleberg, accepts Preakness trophy from Henry A. Parr III and Governor Herbert O'Connor, Maryland, after Jockey Mehrrens drives Assault ahead of Lord Boswell and Hampden to win 2nd leg of "Triple Crown" in Maryland's Preakness.

## Hurdle Winners At Belmont

(Photos by Bert Morgan)



Top, Kent Miller's War Battle, No. 2, Jockey Jennings up, wins The Trillon Hurdles, May 6, beating Cosey and Mat; left, Louis Stoddard, Jr.'s Kitty-whisk beats \*Hiacinthus and Teton on May 9; and right, H. S. Horkheimer's Gala Reigh gallops Yankee Chance and Intact on May 11.

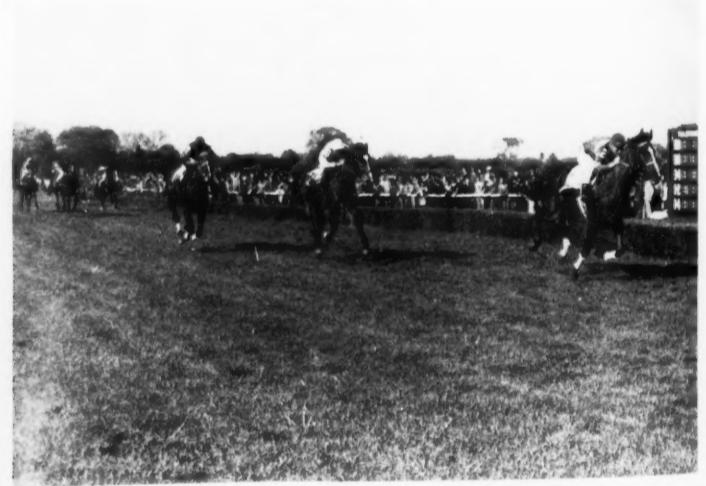
## Steeplechasing At Belmont And Pimlico

(Belmont Photos: Bert Morgan; Pimlico Photos: Courtesy Maryland Jockey Club)



Mrs. Isobel Dodge Sloane's Brookmeade Stable's Fleettown, 5-year-old, wins International 'Chase at Belmont. Montpelier's Annotator leads over last fence; below Jockey Adams gets verdict as William Lipscomb's Mercator finishes 3rd.

Glen Riddle's Soldier's Song, No. 1, leads A. M. Cushman's Rouge Dragon, No. 2 eventual winner of Jervis Spencer Memorial, when Bayard Sharp's Lt. Well finished 3rd. The winner is by Mrs. Marion duPont Scott's Montpelier Annapolis.



Mrs. Essie duPont Weir's \*Deanslaw returns a 'chasing winner'; Trainer J. E. Ryan sidles up at left rear.



Mrs. H. B. Marshall, Jockey Leonard, and Trainer W. G. Jones are pictured with Jervis Spencer Memorial trophy.

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## Peterski Wins At Rose Tree

Alex Stokes Scores Convincing Triumph On Son Of Petee-Wrack In Winning Gloucester Fox Hunters Plate From Outstanding Field

Edward Q. McVitty's Peterski, entered son of Petee-Wrack, stood as quietly as a model hunter in a horse show line-up in the Rose Tree Fox-hunting Club Races paddock last Saturday, May 18; walked to the post on a loose rein, then hunted his way at will over the 3 1-2 mile timber course, to come home galloping and win the Gloucester Fox Hunters Plate. It was an almost over-confident ride that Alec Stokes, gentleman-rider currently enjoying a good winning streak this spring, gave the unusual hunting-hunter dressage horse to beat Lawrence E. Jones' The Clue and Janon Fisher, Jr.'s Saw Buck in the feature event of the card, run near Media, Penna.

Peterski, bred purposely by his owner, for manners and tractability, trained as a dressage horse by George Hudson of Edgewood stables, Smithtown, L. I., and brought to timber racing through a season's hard hunting with Mr. Stewart's Cheshire Hounds, with trainer Richard T. Taylor up, is the most unusual hunt meeting horse of many a year. His model manners and brilliant jumping are a joy forever. He trains big; has a winning countenance and had Mr. Stokes known him better, he would undoubtedly have run a more convincing race in The Maryland Hunt Cup where he finished 3rd 3 weeks ago. Peterski gives you what you ask and he seems to have no bottom.

Mr. Stokes was a last minute substitute rider for Colin P. Lofting, when business prevented the latter from riding in the Maryland. Mr. Lofting had won with Peterski in his first point-to-point this year at Unionville, Penna. James E. Ryan, well known trainer, described the grand jumper after his Unionville win: "An be Gawd he's a good horse, he made Skipper Lofting look like Noel Laing".

In recording The Maryland Hunt Cup in these columns it was remarked that Peterski skipped around the course almost unnoticed. Actually, Mr. Stokes never knew how much horse he had under him until he hooked up with Miltiades after Miltiades refused at the 15th. Way back in the ruck, Peterski ran over the top of horses to finish a good 3rd.

This was not so on the Media Rose Tree "dumb-bell course". Just off his winning Radnor Hunt Cup race, when he had defeated Stuart S. Janney, Jr., and Vaunt, all eyes were on the McVitty color-bearer. Hard as a rock, carrying a lot of flesh, he belied his strenuous spring's campaigning.

Six went to the post, with J. S. Disston riding The Clue; Benjamin H. "Laddie" Murray riding his own Sutton Hoo; William Rasche on Saw Buck; Michael Smithwick on Mrs. W. Plunkett Stewart's Gay Dawn, ladies' point-to-point winner; and Harry L. Straus' Full Moon had C. Jackson riding. The course was in good shape, with the turf just soft enough for horses to get a good footing around the sharp turns.

Gay Dawn, 9-year-old home-bred daughter of Milkman, showed no indication that she had ever been a

ladies' hunter, or that she had carried Miss Avey Penn-Smith to whip hounds for several seasons. She shot to the front like a bolt at the break, was fully 15 lengths on top when she finally fell at the 10th, having previously whacked several fences in the 1st mile. During this time, Full Moon was nearest, with The Clue, Sutton Hoo, Saw Buck and Peterski following in order.

Mr. Stokes was content to bide his time, taking advantage of broken rails, which Gay Dawn and Full Moon laid for him. Mr. Disston was getting the most out of The Clue, holding him fairly straight, although the son of Identify enjoyed following the leader, and his rider could not stop him from lugging in behind the front runners, showing no disposition to go to the top.

Mr. Smithwick was game, despite a rolling out on the turf, he remounted and vainly tried to catch the front runners. At the 20th of the 22 fences, Full Moon took out 2 panels and went rolling, with rider Jackson falling clear.

Coming to the last fence, Peterski had taken the lead but Mr. Disston was making a grand challenge with The Clue. On almost even terms, Peterski met his fence perfectly and had the best of it on the landing side and was shaken up for a sprint to the finish, for plus 2 length verdict. The time for the short 3 1-2 miles, 7:32 4-5 was considered excellent and Saw Buck ran a much improved race. Mr. Murray, who rides in glasses, was 4th, distancing Gay Dawn.

Morris H. Dixon has been most successful with Miss Ella Widener's 'chasers. Mr. Dixon saddled Adaptable, 5-year-old son of \*Blenheim II, bred at Miss Widener's family's Elmendorf Farm, and put Jockey M. Morlan up, who got the bearer of the orange and white colors home first in The Rose Tree Plate, of 2 1-2 miles. But 4 horses accepted the challenge. Mrs. J. E. Ryan's Drintown, winner at Middleburg, took the place 3 lengths back of the winner and 15 before Walter Wickes, Jr.'s Grey King, with Frank Powers riding.

The winning jockey smiled at Adaptable's handlers waiting for him at the judges' stand as he drove past, with a "We got this one easily" look. Adaptable has a lot of the looks of his sire. Drintown has trained down pretty finely since her first outing at Camden in April.

In the Corinthian Plate, supporting brush fixture, J. V. H. "Bobby" Davis, but recently recovered from a smasher and concussion at Pimlico, put on one of his stylish and heady rides to get Mrs. E. du Pont Weir's old campaigner \*Himmel home the winner. The 11-year-old son of Apelle jumped well, won by a good 5 lengths as Jack Grabosky's Ducker was 2nd. Donald Barrows General Whisk, took the show. This Our General, just as his rider was given a leg up in the paddock, bolted in the crowd and gave a few scares to many. Carnut and Ducker lost a lot of ground when both missed the course in the early running.

Arthur E. Pew, Jr.'s Carnut, with

a green rider, who had never ridden the tricky "dumb-bell course" Rose Tree layout, a 1st time starter, returned home 4th, 6 lengths away. This Morris Dixon trained owner-bred is out of the old Peanuts mare, Nutshell. This matron was also the dam of Mercury Sun, 3-year-old, also by Cardinal's Ring, winner of the 2nd division of The Glen Riddle Plate, of about 1 mile on the flat, when he beat off Frank F. Truscott's Ticco's determined challenge.

The 1st division of The Glen Riddle Plate was run in 2 seconds slower time, with Mrs. E. E. Bromley's Audible winning. The successful Mr. Stokes banged the son of Busy Wire home, one of R. P. Hamilton's training as C. Douglas Dillon's Flash Wing, with Charles Cann riding took the place, a short 2 lengths away. There was some lengthy discussion about the 3rd and 4th places, with a minority report of the judges being official in the end and J. J. Kann's Carmen C. getting the show ahead of James C. Butt's Incalculable. Owner Kann stated emphatically that his Carmen C. didn't finish 3rd.

Rain threatened throughout the afternoon, although the overcast day seemed to have kept no one home. Rose Tree's plant was jammed to capacity until a terrific down-pour as horses were being saddled for the finale, sent most hurrying for shelter. Mr. Powers rode Walter Wickes, Jr.'s Kaltain through heavy pelting rain to do the about 1 1-4 miles on the flat in 2:30 and hold off Mrs. C. Bowers' Aldridge. John H. Hays' Royal Tryster was 3rd ahead of Mrs. F. E. Brown's Firebet. The latter was left at the post, made up much ground and finished gamely. David Dallas Odell's Carteret stopped badly, after being a strong factor for over 6 furlongs, with Mr. Davis up.

Badly beaten in the last race, William L. Crosson's Big Bee was being cantered home last. Just as the 5-year-old son of Morgil, out of an unknown dam, approached the judges' stand, he wheeled and sent Jockey B. Sperling sprawling.

### SUMMARIES

The Agricultural Stakes, 3-yr.-olds & up, abt. 8 f., or turf, for horses the property of a farmer, or landowner, or member or subscribe to a Recognized Hunt in Southeastern Penna. Purse \$100. Value to winner, plus plate, \$60; 2nd: \$25; 3rd: \$15. Winner: ch. g., 11, by Misstep—Sunny Spain, by Golden Boss. Breeder: Le Mar Stock Farm. Trainer: A. L. Christman. Time: 1:13 1-5.

1. Moorish, (Mrs. Alvin L. Christman), 145, A. Christman.  
2. Bellewick, (Mrs. Robert Christman), 140, A. Christman.  
3. Brown Bud, (Thomas McKelvey), 140, Atkinson.

She started; also ran (order of finish): Mrs. George W. Burt's English Jack, 140, B. Sperling; Mrs. Harry P. Low's He Said, 140, E. Loefler; Charles Porter's Sweet Marrone, 140, T. Lew. Won by 3 lengths driving; place by 5; show by 6. Scratched: James Bowden's Queen Nadi, 140; John Primos' Hazelda, 130; Mrs. A. J. McMasters' Blue Magic.

The Glen Riddle Plate, 1st Division, 3-yr.-olds & up, abt. 1 mi., on turf. Purse \$400. Value to winner, plus plate: \$260; 2nd: \$80; 3rd: \$40; 4th: \$20. Winner: br. g., 4, by Busy Wire—Grace Darling, 132, D. Perl; James C. Butt's Incalculable, 132, D. Perl; C. E. Tutt's Helm, 145; Mr. Michael Smithwick; Henry Caldwell's Northstown, 127, MacDonnell; Allen Davis' High Welcome, 139, T. Prickett. Won by 5 lengths, driving; place by 1; show by 2. Scratched: David Dallas Odell's Grey Bar, 132; Irvin G. Schorsch's Kapme, 144; David Dallas Odell's Carteret, 149; Mrs. E. duPont Weir's Oran, 157; R. E. Caldwell's Nobby Boy, 145; Mrs. F. E. Brown's Casset, 132.

1. Audible, (Mrs. E. E. Bromley), 147, Mr. Alec Stokes.  
2. Flash Wing, (C. Douglas Dillon), 145, Mr. Charles Cann.  
3. Carmen C. (J. J. Kann), 139, F. Morrison.

Seven started; also ran (order of finish): James C. Butt's Incalculable, 132, D. Perl; C. E. Tutt's Helm, 145; Mr. Michael Smithwick; Henry Caldwell's Northstown, 127, MacDonnell; Allen Davis' High Welcome, 139, T. Prickett. Won by 5 lengths, driving; place by 1; show by 2. Scratched: David Dallas Odell's Grey Bar, 132; Irvin G. Schorsch's Kapme, 144; David Dallas Odell's Carteret, 149; Mrs. E. duPont Weir's Oran, 157; R. E. Caldwell's Nobby Boy, 145; Mrs. F. E. Brown's Casset, 132.

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The Glen Riddle Plate, 2nd Division. Winner: Arthur E. Pew, Jr.'s b. g., 3, by Cardinal's Ring—Nutshell, by Peanuts. Breeder: Owner. Trainer: Morris H. Dixon. Time: 1:53. 1. Mercury Sun, (Arthur E. Pew, Jr.), 139, M. Morlan.

2. Ticco, (Frank F. Truscott), 144, N. Evans. 3. Bowling Lady, (Mrs. F. E. Brown), 139, J. Meyer.

Seven started; also ran (order of finish): J. G. Leiper, Jr.'s Andy Mark, 152, Mr. Frank Powers; Mrs. F. E. Bromley's Smart Homme, 149, Mr. J. Hamilton; J. J. Wolf's Donnybelle, 139, F. Dull; Donald H. Alpough's Morning Star, 144, L. Moore.

The Corinthian Plate, 4-yr.-olds & up, non-winners of 2 races in 1945-46, other than hurdle or claiming; abt. 2 mi., brush. Purse, \$1,000. Value to winner, plus plate: \$650; 2nd: \$200; 3rd: \$100; 4th: \$50. Winner: ch. g., 11, by Apelle—Hinemay, by Blandford. Breeder: Lord Glanley (England). Trainer: J. E. Ryan. Time: 3:57.

1. \*Himmel, (Mrs. E. duPont Weir), 146, Mr. J. V. H. Davis.  
2. Ducker, (Jack Grabosky), 147, Mr. Alec Stokes.  
3. General Whisk, (Donald B. Barrows), 150, G. Reid.

Five started; also ran (order of finish): Arthur E. Pew, Jr.'s Carnut, 140, M. Morlan; Mrs. F. E. Brown's War Port, 146, J. Meyer. Won, in hand by 5 lengths; place driving by 1; show same by 15. Scratched: J. G. Leiper, Jr.'s Toy Maker, 146; Walter Wickes, Jr.'s Kaltain, 138; Mrs. F. E. Brown's Bowling Lady, 136; Mrs. J. E. Ryan's Drintown, 139.

The Gloucester Fox Hunters Plate, 4-yr.-olds & up, abt. 3 1/2 mi., timber. Purse, \$500. Value to winner, plus plate, \$325; 2nd: \$100; 3rd: \$50; 4th: \$25. Amateur or professional riders acceptable to Race Committee. Winner: b. h., 10, by Petee-Wrake—Sauge, by Chouberski. Breeder: Owner. Trainer: R. T. Taylor. Time: 3:32 4-5.

1. Peterski, (Edward Q. McVitty), 163, Mr. Alec Stokes.  
2. The Clue, (Lawrence E. Jones), 150, Mr. B. Murray.  
3. Saw Buck, (Janon Fisher, Jr.), 147, Mr. J. S. Disston.

Six started; also ran (order of finish): Benjamin H. Murray's Sutton Hoo, 145, Mr. Benjamin H. Murray; Mrs. W. Plunkett Stewart's Gay Dawn, 153, fell 10th, remounted, Mr. Michael Smithwick; Fell, H. L. Straus' Full Moon, 158, Mr. C. Jackson. Won handily by 2 1/2 lengths; place driving by 2; show by distance. Scratched: J. G. Leiper, Jr.'s Toy Maker, 165.

The Rose Tree Plate, 4-yr.-olds & up, handicap, abt. 2 1/2 mi., brush. Purse, \$1,000. Value to winner, plus plate, \$650; 2nd: \$200; 3rd: \$100; 4th: \$50. Winner: b. g., 5, by \*Blenheim II—Black Queen, by Pompey. Breeder: Elmendorf Farm. Trainer: Morris H. Dixon. Time: 5:50.

1. Adaptable, (Miss Ella Widener), 155, M. Morlan.  
2. Drintown, (Mrs. J. E. Ryan), 136, H. Harris.  
3. Grey King, (Walter Wickes, Jr.), 141, Mr. Frank Powers.

Four started; also ran: J. G. Leiper, Jr.'s Toy Maker, 132, J. Meyer. Won, ridden out, by 3 lengths; place driving by 15; show distance. Scratched: Mrs. E. duPont Weir's \*Himmel, 145.

The High Weight Handicap, 3-yr.-olds & up, abt. 1 1/2 mi., turf. Purse \$500. Value to winner, plus plate: \$225; 2nd: \$100; 3rd: \$50; 4th: \$25. Winner: b. m., 6, by Mountain Elk—Kai Lu, by Kalitan. Breeder: Mrs. J. Packard Laird. Trainer: C. Best. Time: 2:30.

1. Kaltain, 141, Mr. Frank Powers.  
2. Aldridge, (Mrs. C. Bowers), 156, P. Hardy.  
3. Royal Tryster, (John H. Hays), 143, C. Nagro.

Eight started; also ran (order of finish): Mrs. F. E. Brown's Firebet, 154, N. Brown; James C. Butt's City Man, 142, C. Morris; Morris H. Dixon's Pasture Rider, 140, M. Morlan; David Dallas Odell's Carteret, 147, J. V. H. Davis; William L. Crosson's Big Bee, 141, P. Sperling. Won, ridden out, by 2 lengths; place driving by 2; show same by 1 1/2. Scratched: Ruth A. Allison's Gibor, 140; Harold R. Denrell's James Sable, 142; Mrs. E. duPont Weir's Oran, 160; I. G. Schorsch's Myrtle M., 152; Mrs. W. P. Stewart's Gay Dawn, 140; J. G. Leiper, Jr.'s Andy Mark, 150; Miss Ella Widener's Adaptable, 164; Mrs. F. E. Brown's Bowling Lady, 140.

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## Letter From New York

By Paul Anthony

It was sunny this morning when the light finally prevailed over the morning mist at Belmont. There was plenty of activity. The infield was open for the jumpers and the brown helmeted strangers, who pilot the big ones over the jumps, were out in force. The main track was full and up in the empty stands, felt hat down over his nose and his voice booming as usual, Maxie Hirsch was sitting with one of the happiest men in the country—at least for a week or so—Bob Kleberg of Texas. Their big little horse had galloped well and was peacefully chewing an exceedingly valuable cud in the barn.

On ahead—with various highly interesting stakes on the way—lies The Belmont and, so the Texans believe, the Triple Crown. Neither seemed at all perturbed at the repeated opinion that Assault was being caught at the end of the Preakness. "He never had a chance to draw a deep breath after the bouncing around he got at the start," said Max Hirsch. "Of course he was a tired horse." Mr. Kleberg, acknowledging the congratulations of Major Louie Beard, said, "He seems all right. Looks good, right now."

Just about that time, in the barn alongside of Assault, the rather burly Jimmy Smith was finally unloading an animal named Lord Boswell, together with Knockdown and a few others, after a long trek from Baltimore. They had the same sort of luck in their shipping as they have had in the Derby and Preakness. Assault beat them all 3 times. Delays at the start and at the end of the shipment made Boswell's Baltimore trip almost 12 hours long, but he seemed to ship well.

Certainly The Belmont is a press agent's dream this year, with Boswell taking up his pursuit of Assault. The wires at Belmont began early Monday morning with requests from out of town radio oracles and turf scribes for dope on the race. If the pair train on, New York should have one of the biggest crowds of even its swollen records.

### His Chin On His Hand

Early this same morning, sitting out in the blacksmith shop at Green-tree's barn while they got a young one ready for him, Eddie Arcaro sat with his chin in his hand. The thoroughly decent little Italian has been tasting the wrong sort of luck the past few weeks.

He had no excuse for switching the choice of his mounts in the Preakness. Boswell, he said, wouldn't run for him in Kentucky. Hampden

just didn't have it in Baltimore. About Assault, he said. "He ain't going to ride that kind of race and win in The Belmont."

Apparently Merhtens did move too soon. The always right second guessers are criticizing him but his boss has no criticism to offer. Hirsch blames it on racing luck. It's all most interesting, though. Around Belmont it would seem that Assault had lost but you can't convince the holder of a Preakness ticket on Boswell.

### 2,000 Head At Belmont

With the 2 races out of the way, the sport settles down for some of the best racing it has had in years at Belmont. Neil Boyle's barns are almost filled at this writing and will be in a day or two. It's quite a colony, 2,000 or so head.

As usual, the Belmont will see the boys out of the field and the starters narrowed down to the men. There'll be no Kendors or Jobars when they go that mile and a half on June 1. Probably 7 or 8 starters at the most.

Count Speed is out of it, probably for the season, though he is coming back sound and will race again. That was the cruellest luck of the season to date. It seems unlikely Mist O' Gold will be back for The Belmont, though he has begun to train lightly again.

The dark horse, according to general agreement, seems to be A. C. Ernst's Almond, the bay son of \*Pharamond 2nd—Heterodyne. Admittedly short at Churchill Downs, he has come along steadily in training and in racing and begins to look like a real threat.

### Bonus Question

As this is written, the various strikes and threats of strikes have quieted down for the time being, but there is nothing really cured. Perhaps the most disappointing occurrence this season has been the backing down of the New York tracks in the bonus question. And this, we hasten to say, has nothing to do with the merits of the grooms and the exercise boys. We have seen the pigpens they are often asked to inhabit. We know they work 7 days a week for only fair wages. But there is no denying the fact, on the part of those who really know and care for racing, that the bonus system is terrifyingly wrong.

And to have the New York tracks turn tail under the mistaken pressure of the commissioner, who apparently believes he must assist in

the demise of the golden-egg-laying goose, was disheartening to say the least.

A. T. Cole was fearfully mistaken when he permitted the cheers of the exercise boys and their racquetearing leaders to convince him he was doing the right thing. This when he took over negotiations from those to whom they rightfully belonged, the track operators, the owners and the boys themselves, and put them on the plane that New York was losing money and, therefore, it was a commission affair.

New York may have been losing some money. It might have lost some more in curing the malignancy. But that isn't anything to what it will lose if racing simply goes to h—. And that isn't anything to what the operators of the tracks will lose in New York if they don't finally realize that politics, hedging or anything else will never take the place of common sense.

The net results? The awards are being paid under another name. The owners—you can't race without them—are taking a brutal rap and nothing has been permanently cured. Boring, perhaps, but desperately important.

### \*Royal Cheer Arrives

Sidney H. Scheuer, owner of the Twin Lakes Stud Farm at Golden Bridge, N. Y., reports that \*Royal Cheer, the long awaited young son of \*Mahmoud out of Veuve Cliquot, herself the winner of the Windsor Castle Stakes, the Chesterfield and St. George Stakes (twice), has arrived.

ed from England and is now in New York State. The 6-year-old grey stallion, unraced due to the War, is reported showing the effects of a bad trip. However, Mr. Scheuer says of him, "He is a typical \*Mahmoud with a splendid disposition and good manners. He is being worked and conditioned but we are not planning to use him on more than 2 or 3 mares at most this year." Robert Rainbow, famous stud groom at Twin Lake Farm, also has in his care the handsome young stallion, Sortie's Son by Sortie, out of Lyddite, by McKinley which Mr. Scheuer purchased from H. R. Shoemaker of Falmouth, Ky. Booked to over 30 mares in the short time he has been up in N. Y. it looks as if this personable brown horse were there to stay.

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## Editorials

### THE KING RANCH

A visit to the Kleberg ranch, in Texas, must always be an impressive experience for one does not look over a rolling grassland of a million acres without a gasp of awe. Not many persons have ridden over its great length and breadth, but anyone, whether he be cowboy, visitor or driving for 100 miles through land that belongs on both sides of him to one proprietor, cannot fail to feel the significance of this great grassland in its relation to every phase of farming activity.

R. J. Kleberg, Jr. has developed a new breed of cattle in the Santa Gertrudis. They have never been established in this country before. They furnish a 2,000 pound steer that has unusual ability to forage for itself, is resistant to ticks and disease. This experiment is a big stride in breeding. There are other experiments up the sleeves of this Texas family and their knowledgeable Dr. A. J. Northway, veterinarian and manager, and not the least of these, and of particular interest to horsemen, is that of their Thoroughbred horse breeding program.

To a Texan there is nothing more alluring than the impossible. Since the days of the Alamo, these rugged individualists have enjoyed tempting fate, have flourished on long odds, have delved into experiments and developments that were not considered feasible in the Southwest. The Thoroughbred horse industry has been cornered by the state of Kentucky to all intents and purposes. Quite justifiably the Blue Grass section of the south is now enjoying a period of unparalleled prosperity, but this crown does not appeal to the encompassing viewpoint of this mammoth among the states.

With the victory of Assault which has now brought the possibilities of racing to the minds of many Texas cattle barons and oil men in a more forcible fashion than ever before, the Thoroughbred looms large on the horizon. Heretofore, the average Texan was too busy with large scale ranching operations, the production of oil, the development of such immense operations as that entailed in citrus fruits. These activities are but scratching the surface, for men who are avid experimenters, pioneers, the promoters of the last great American frontier, the great Southwest.

There are now standing in the King Ranch beside the sire of Assault, Brazado, Contradiction and Equestrian, as well as their quarter horses. They are all four, stake producing sires out of stake producing mares. There is a band of 30 mares and this year there are 18 yearlings ready to turn to racing. The Thoroughbred racing program has not been going on long, but in addition to Assault, the King Ranch is responsible for Stymie among other stake horses, al-

though Dr. Northway with a wry smile remarks that he passed from their hands to the tune of \$1,500.

To the average easterner, Texas is a land of flat deserts, mesquite, cactus, and oil wells. Actually it is an extremely fertile land that enjoys every climate and whose cattle graze on verdant green grass which has the quality of unplowed, virgin soil. Dr. Northway thinks this grass has something to do with Max Hirsch's results with Assault and he intends to capitalize on it. Stallions, yearlings, and mares, are out on great grass ranges all year round. They are rugged, fit and hard from the day they are foaled to the day they are ready to leave with Mr. Hirsch.

The yearlings are not overfed, are not pampered, are not correspondingly fat and soft. If range grass, sound treatment, constant open grazing such as their ancestors enjoyed for centuries can do anything for the modern Thoroughbred, these horses at the King Ranch are going to prove it on their records. Stymie and Assault may not be alone in their invasion of pre-existing Thoroughbred strongholds. This may well be but the beginning of another Texas experiment.

## Letters to the Editor

### Keeping The Cavalry

Dear Sirs:

Realizing your interest in the horse I thought you might be interested in the enclosed editorial from the Army and Navy Journal, no mean mouthpiece, for the services.

Both the Germans and the Russians employed a great deal of animal transport and the U. S. may be passing up an important factor if we don't utilize our tremendous animal resources.

Sincerely,  
 Wm. V. Munhall, Lt. Col. FA.  
 Jefferson Barracks, Mo.

(The following is reprinted from the Army Navy Journal, April 13, 1946.)

There are reasons stronger than tradition and sentiment why our Army must not abandon the use of the horse and mule. The saddle and pack animal is still the master of weather and terrain which either will stop mechanized equipment or so seriously impede it as to mar its military value. Also the United States has large animal stocks and in future wars it will be necessary, even more than before, to utilize to the fullest all of our natural resources. It is true that in World War II horse Cavalry was not included in the vast development and training program. But this does not mean that there was no place for it. As a matter of fact there is ample evidence that we paid for our neglect of animal units. General Patton, an ardent exponent of the Armored force, declared, "Had we possessed an American Cavalry division with pack artillery in Tunisia and in Sicily, not a German would have escaped, because horse Cavalry possesses the additional gear ratio which permits attainment of sufficient speed through mountainous country to get behind and hold the enemy until the more powerful Infantry and tanks can come up and destroy him."

Lt. Gen. L. K. Truscott, Jr. who commanded the Fifth Army and subsequently the Third Army, said, "I am firmly convinced that if one squadron of horse Cavalry and one pack troop of 200 mules had been available to me at San Stefano on 1 August, they would have permitted my entry into Messina at least 48 hours earlier." Maj. Gen. John P. Lucas, deplored the lack of Cavalry in Southern Italy, says, "There was a desperate need for some type of unit that could penetrate cross country and get through the difficult mountains at a decidedly faster rate than the Infantry. Motors were tied

to the road by the inaccessible terrain. Horses and men on foot were the only things that could move. I am convinced that if I could have gotten some type of troops behind the Germans to work on their lines of communication in order to execute demolitions in their rear, the results in southern Italy might well have been the perfect solution." The Germans well know the effective use to which the Russians put their Cavalry. General I. Pronin of the Red Army has stated that "The experience of this war proves that despite various new weapons of warfare, Soviet Cavalry is a powerful force for developing a successful offensive and is highly effective in defense."

In the face of such evidence it is imperative that the art of the care and use of horses and mules not be allowed to die in the United States Army. The maintenance of some horse Cavalry is one of the responsibilities of the War Department.

### Standard Bred

Dear Sirs:

I've been away for over 2 months, visiting Standard bred breeding farms and training activities at over 50 tracks throughout the middle west.

Last week all the back issues of The Chronicle, since the first of the year, caught up with me. I took last Sunday off to read them.

I was particularly interested in John Field's article on the late Will Gahagan in the January 25 issue. I am glad to see an easing of your editorial policies towards publicizing the Standard bred. There are many of us who have the same feeling towards the Standard bred as those who favor the Thoroughbred.

While on the subject, reference is made to "Hark Forrard's" article "The Remount—Its Future" (April 26 issue).—"Among the many interesting observations he (Dr. Gustav Rau) made were his utter astonishment that the Remount used no Standard breeds, which he considered our soundest breed—".

With all your "faults", you put out a great paper and I wish you all the success in the world, but let's have some Standard bred reading.

Sincerely,  
 Walter J. Williams, D. V. M.  
 Findlay, Ohio.

(Editor's Note: Would that we had the space to do full credit to all breeds of horses and the staff to write the comprehensive coverage as well).

## Pastoral England In 19th Century At Skipton Fair

Skipton, a market town in the Skipton parliamentary division of the West Riding of Yorkshire, England—N. W. of Leeds, is picturesquely situated in the valley of the River Aire, the course of which is followed by the Leeds and Liverpool canals. Skipton was the capital of the ancient district of Craven. At the Norman accession it became part of the possessions of Earl Edwin, and was granted to Robert de Romille. Subsequently it went to the Albemarle family, but was again vested in the Crown, and Edward II bestowed it on de Gaveston. In 1311 it came into the possession of the Cliffs.

This picture by one of the noted country painters of 19th century England lends authentic enchantment to an age of leisure and quiet living that has gone forever in a modern world of machinery and rapid movement. It is a fine illustration of country life that can be found now only in remote parts of rural England and America. Photograph courtesy of E. J. Rousuck, N. Y.

## Steeplechasing

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was kept well back, liked the going, and was given full opportunity to take advantage of the 12 lbs. concession from Floating Isle and 13 lbs. from War Battle by Jockey Magee. All starters jumped well and stood up.

Henry Bull, president of the Turf and Field Club, presented the memorial cup to James E. Ryan, winning trainer, in the absence of Mrs. Weir, who preferred to remain in her box under cover from the falling rain.

At the water the first time, War Battle and Chesapeake led the field by 15 lengths, as Rouge Dragon, Floating Isle and \*Burma Road were next and Iron Shot showed no desire to run. At the far turn, Floating Isle came with a rush as \*Burma Road came on. Rounding the final turn, Floating Isle led \*Burma Road by 2 lengths, with Rouge Dragon and War Battle tiring.

\*Burma Road had a neck advantage at the final jump and drew away promptly from Mr. Mott's entry on the flat. Iron Shot's rider, Jockey Evans, was shaken out of his irons over the last fence but flat saddled it home to the finish, for last place. The time of 3:52 4-5 was considered good for the wet course.

In the Belmont Spring Maiden, Mrs. Clark's Hidalgo jumped well and was kept forward, to assume a lead in nice timing by his rider

Jockey F. Kratz, and then came on with speed in reserve. Bred by A. G. C. Sage and trained by Dolly Byers, he is a 4-year-old son of Omaha—Blue Stocking, by Blue Larkspur. Back of Lieut. Well, Montpelier's Virelay, Clynnallyra Stud's Quonset and Brookmeade Stable's Big Three was a shambles, with 4 horses falling and 2 horses losing riders. Hidalgo won by 8 lengths, and 47 lengths separated the winner from Big Three, which finished a badly beaten horse, after he had been on the front end of the running for the 1st turn of the field. The almost invincible rider this year, Jockey F. D. Adams, was one Big Three.

Muggy, threatening weather prevailed for the Maiden Chase, with the infield grass bent down with moisture. It took a good jumper to win this maiden event—the inconsistent ones found the tricky going treacherous for shifting leads. Rappahannock Farms' Chancefield, with Jockey W. Brown up, was the first to part company with his rider, losing Jockey Brown at the 3rd fence, when Big Three was leading and Virelay and F. Ambrose Clark's Bold Mate were ahead of Hidalgo. At the 6th, after several had changed the 5th, Louis E. Stoddard, Jr.'s Kittiwhisk, recent hurdle winner, fell, as Kent Miller's Battle Cruiser lost his rider.

At the 9th, Mrs. Weir's Creamery came down and R. A. Firestone's Tetroil breached the fence with Jockey Miller. The latter had been closing ground and looked to be a contender. Actually, it was Creamery's mishap which brought Mr. Firestone's jumper down. Tetroil has been an unlucky chaser this year, losing a heat at Pimlico, when the judges ruled that he had interfered with Big Three, and the camera later disclosed Big Three bothering Tetroil the most.

Tetroil came down at the important juncture when Hidalgo was making his move and Lieut. Well moved into 2nd place. At the final fence, when under a stout drive, Bold Mate rolled over—fracturing Jockey Gibson's collarbone.

The infield was a bee-hive of activity with pony-boys picking up loose horses.

Jockey Adams rode a clever race on Tuesday, May 14, when he got his mother's Little Sammie home by  $\frac{1}{4}$  of a length ahead of Jockey Magee on Mrs. Weir's \*Picture Prince. I. Bieber's \*Frederic II, undergoing a strenuous campaign this season, was 3rd, a head behind \*Picture Prince, and 2 lengths before Gary Black's Strolling On. The track was fast and Little Sammie, claimed this day by George H. Bostwick, did the circuit of 2 miles in 3:52 3-5. Five started, five finished, the form players had a favorite winning and less than 1 length separated the 1st three horses. Many felt that \*Frederic II

was slightly impeded when the winner swerved over the last fence.

On Wednesday, May 15, the Chilean horse \*Macanudo was introduced to American racing by J. M. Jerkins, owner. Clarence Shockley imported this son of Knockers—Reinetta, which has a pedigree boasting only "131-132 Thoroughbred blood" and the horse has not been accepted to run on the flat at the big tracks in this country. Steeplechasing rules permit such a horse to run, however.

How much schooling he received prior to his effort in the Sir Wooster Hurdle race is not known. However, he literally made a show of his field on the flat, while running through almost all of the hurdles. The big, rangy chestnut stallion was rated off the early pace and didn't begin to show his winning class until the final  $\frac{1}{4}$  mile. Then he came on fast, with Jockey Adams belting him with his bat but once to come home flying and score by 1 $\frac{1}{2}$  lengths over Mr. Clark's Flying Dolphin, which beat Mrs. Weir's Teton by a nose.

With more schooling, a chance to recover from a grab he suffered during the hurdle race, and a little study of Chilean horse talk by Jockey Adams, \*Macanudo may prove an outstanding stake chaser. It is said that George H. Bostwick, who is building up his stable with claiming acquisitions, offered \$15,000 for \*Macanudo.

It may be recalled that Mr. Shockley imported \*Sahiri II and \*Cabelaro II, both Chilean horses, and won important stakes with them. \*Macanudo was imported with hopes of running him on the flat, which the Jockey Club has denied.

In the Sir Wooster won by \*Macanudo, a first time starter, Mrs. Clark's Last drew a last post position, ran last for half the course, then moved up to menace. F. E. Dixon, Jr.'s Sole Parate was on the head-end for a spell, but stopped badly.

I. Bieber's \*Nayr and Jockey T.

Field combined to win their 2nd race over hurdles at Belmont on Saturday, May 18. This time they bested Mrs. C. E. Adams' Refugio and H. S. Horkheimer's Gala Reign. \*Nayr was steadied along 4th for a spell, then was sent to the front near the 7th hurdle. Refugio came with a rush, on the inside, but drifted to the outside of the winner at the finish, when running strongly. Some declared \*Nayr just lasted, getting a nose verdict. Thomas T. Mott's Kennebunk ran off the course after jumping the 4th hurdle, then made up much ground showing a good effort, to finish back of Mrs. Clark's Mat, which also ran a convincing race.

Jockey Field was up again to win on May 20, when he belted Strolling On home for the winning purse of \$2,255 for Mr. Black. \*Frederic II finished 2nd, 8 lengths away after bobbling over several fences, especially the last, when he tired. Mr. Mott's Bridlespur never menaced though finishing 3rd, 12 lengths

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## UPPERVILLE COLT & HORSE SHOW Upperville, Virginia

FRIDAY and SATURDAY  
June 14 and 15

Entries Close June 3  
Write for Prize List

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THOROUGHBRED AND  
HALF-BRED DIVISIONS  
OPEN JUMPING

R. S. PEACH, Secretary  
Upperville, Virginia  
Luncheon will be served on the  
grounds

Morning: 9:30 A. M.  
Afternoon: 2:00 P. M.



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SATURDAY and SUNDAY

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## Peterski Wins Radnor Hunt Cup

(Photos by Bert Morgan, except as indicated)



1st fence of 16th Running of Radnor Hunt Cup, T. Beatty Brown's Watch Well, No. 1, makes pace as H. L. Straus' Full Moon, No. 2, J. E. Hughes' Good Hunter, No. 10, and Vaunt follow in order.



Left to right: Edward Q. McVitty, with cap, Edward B. Smith, secy., Alec Stokes, winning rider, Edward M. Cheston, steward, with cup, J. Simpson Dean, judge, George Brooke III, chairman of race committee, William C. Wright, Gilbert Mather, M. F. H., judge, and John Strawbridge, steward.

(Lucy McIlvaine Photo).



Alec Stokes and the dressage stallion timber-winner Peterski in easy winning form.



Peterski gallops Stewart S. Janney, Jr. on Vaunt for final Radnor Hunt Cup verdict.



J. V. H. "Bobby" Davis rides F. Ambrose Clark's 3-in-row winner Lancastrian to beat the Clark Equirita and Miss Ella Widener's Adaptable in National Hunt Cup brush feature. F. Bellhouse, trainer of winner rode Equirita; James C. Arthur rode Adaptable.

## Around The Horse Shows



The younger generation was out in full force at the Warrenton Country School Horse Show. Here is the line-up in the horsemanship class.  
(Marshall Hawkins Photo.)



Mr. Henry D. Paxson, Jr. of Holcong, Penna., rode Roseland Belle to good performance in the Bucks County Horse Show at Doylestown, Penna.  
(Freudy Photo.)



Miss Martha Noel was up on Leonard Solomon's Balkonian at the Secor Farms Riding Club Horse Show, White Plains, N. Y., to send him to reserve.  
(Carl Klein Photo.)



The above made up a drill team at the Skidmore College Horse Show, Saratoga Springs, N. Y., on May 4. Left to right: Misses Caroline Bruner, Shaker Heights, Ohio, Marion Crouze, Ancram, N. Y., Viola McCutcheon, Middletown, Conn., Mary E. Fyffe, Ridgewood, N. J., Phyllis Dye, Dayton, Ohio, Barbara Tolley, Maplewood, N. J., Carol Bassett, Manhasset, L. I., Doris Spector, Albany, N. Y., Mary Jane Ullman, Bayside, L. I., Henrietta Hopkins, Fayetteville, N. C., Joyce Macwatty, Ridgewood, N. J., and Jean McNulty, Brooklyn, N. Y.

## Breeders' Notes

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## Clarence Dies

The British are different. For example they gave one of the best broodmares at the National Stud the masculine name of Clarence many years ago. Clarence died this spring when taken to the Mentmore Stud for a mating with the noted racer and Derby winner, Blue Peter. Clarence, by Diligence out of Nun's Veil by Friar Marcus (he out of Blanche by White Eagle, dam of Blandford,) will be remembered a long time as the dam of Sun Chariot, one of the best mares ever to run in England, considered one of the outstanding race mares of all time and winner of the One Thousand Guineas, the Oaks and the St. Leger, among other triumphs. Her dam, Clarence, is also interesting as an example of the inconsistency of greatness. None of her other 5 foals ever won a race although all of them were purchased for high prices at the sales. One filly, Clara D. by Scarlet Tiger, put the record breaking sum of \$100,000 into the pocket of her owner, Major E. Doyle when she was sold with her yearling and weanling foal to Miss Dorothy Paget. Clarence which never won a race herself, unfortunately lost a foal by the Derby and St. Leger winner, Hyperion when she died.

## Claiming A Stable

George H. "Pete" Bostwick, well known owner-trainer whose separation from the Service was delayed by an injury to his knee, is back now getting his depleted racing stable built up again. He has apparently decided that the halter route is the quickest and best means of replenishing his string. Last week he claimed the former Mrs. C. E. Adam's owner-trained 'chaser, Little Sammie by Sammie—Little Charmer by Sun Charmer in a claiming 'chase at Belmont. Little Sammie, now 6, appears to be coming to good form, having won his last two starts at Pimlico. The second 'chaser to be claimed by the gentleman riding stylist within a week is Army Power by Man o'War—Harmonessa by Bull Dog. A 5-year-old, formerly owned and trained by Morris H. Dixon, Army Power is still a maiden but may find himself this coming year.

## An Izzer

Kenneth N. Gilpin, president of the Virginia Horsemen's Assn., and president of the Fasig-Tipton Sales Co., speaking at a recent gathering of Thoroughbred breeders in Virginia, wound up the major issue facing these breeders with: What we need is a stallion, not a has-been, nor a comer, but an izzer". Virginia's outstanding proven sires today include Abram S. Hewitt's Pilate and Mrs. W. Plunket Stewart's Rolling Plains Farm's Milkman.

## Winners Guaranteed

Jack Welch's Duntreath Farm, near Lexington, Ky., makes a remarkable and rash offer of "winners guaranteed or your money back" for his Jean Valjean horse, Yellow Tulip. With the Tetrarch blood on his sire's side and Ultimus blood on his dam's, Yellow Tulip still is booking for the 1946 breeding season. Owned jointly by Bomar Stable and Jack Welch, he has had 2 crops of foals to reach the races—10 of his 12 starters returning winners. He stands for \$200 for a live foal and is now booked to 37 of his 40 mare limit.

## Brookmeade Stallions

The successful sire, Okapi, of Brookmeade Farm, Upperville, Va., is standing in Kentucky. His fee was recently upped from \$250 to \$600 for the 1947 season. Star Beacon, the \*Blenheim II horse, making this season in Virginia, has a book of 39 mares, according to Bill Ballinger, Mgr., for Mrs. Isobel Dodge Sloane. The successful Okapi is a son of Eternal—Oktibbena, by \*Rock Sand.

## Pacemaker For Stymie

Fans of Mrs. Ethel D. Jacob's great stayer, Stymie, who are waiting for that golden day when he avenges himself on Calumet Farm's Armed for his defeat in the Dixie Handicap, will be happy to hear that his old pacemaker, \*Haile, is being prepared to run with Stymie as an entry. \*Haile, who has several times before made the running for his stablemate, is a stake's winner himself and a beautifully bred English son of Rameses 2nd—Banditry by Blandford. It will be remembered that Stymie has to come up from behind. If the pace has been a tiring one he usually finds the other horses ready to be collared in the stretch but if there has been no great pace the staying qualities of Stymie do not have a chance to make themselves felt. From now on \*Haile will be back at his job and the former Greentree runner will go out front and set a killing pace to tire Armed. Then when Stymie is ready for his move he will perhaps find things his way. But maybe not. Armed after all is not a horse to run close to the pace and he also may lie back to fight it out with Stymie in a stayer's duel. The next meeting of the arch-rivals is expected to be in the \$50,000 Suburban Handicap at Belmont Park on Decoration Day.

## "Orphan" Horse

It seems that Mrs. Elizabeth Arden Graham loves her horses not only for their triumphs but for their unusual attributes as well. The famous lady of Maine Chance Farm says she likes Star Pilot best of all her horses "because he is an orphan." The Chronicle in an effort to find out just how sad is Star Pilot's plight, has the following to report: His sire \*Sickle died December 26, 1943, some nine months after the Maine Chance champion was foaled. His dam, Floradora by \*Bull Dog, died in 1945, the year in which Star Pilot hit his winning stride. Thus it appears that the colt voted the 2-year-old champion in 1945, now turned out, has a reasonably legitimate claim to the orphan's sympathetic role although he can hardly be called a poor orphan, having won the tidy sum of \$165,385 in the second year of his lonely pilgrimage on earth. Stimulus, the sire of Beaugay, is also dead, making her half an orphan. The obvious conclusion to be drawn from these facts is that the less family a foal has around him in his first year the better race horse he will be when he is two.

## Lookover Stallions

The secondary feature at Jamaica one Saturday was named the Omaha Handicap, after the Belair Triple Crown Winner. Omaha is making this season at the Jockey Club's Lookover Stallion Station, near Avon, N. Y., along with Royal Guard, Lucky Omen, Capt. James and \*Tourist II. Jockey Club stallions, Sailor King and Curate are at Maxwell Glover's and Peter Henrique's farms.

## Ten Colts—Ten Fillies

Mrs. Isobel Dodge Sloane's Brookmeade Farm, near Upperville, Va., has a yearling crop of 10 colts and 10 fillies. Preston Burch, trainer for Brookmeade Stable, was down in Virginia last week end, to confer with Bill Ballinger, Mgr. The Whirlaway—Omaya, by \*Sir Gallahad III colt is improving every day. He is a half-brother to Dare Me and Pomaya.

## Haddock Yearlings

Leon Haddock, Geneseo, N. Y., is consigning 2 yearlings to the Saratoga Fasig-Tipton Sales in August. One is a chestnut colt by Omaha—Ota Amazon, by Son o'Battle (Man o'War). The other is by \*Tourist II—Lady Olambala by Olambala. \*Tourist II's turf exploits are well remembered. He raced over brush in the colors of the Sanford Stud Farm and won among other events, the Belmont Grand National. His progeny have proved to be endowed with his stamina and jumping ability. Olambala, a distance horse, got Pillory, Hannibal, Campfire and Action, the latter a good flat winner and steeplechaser.

## Salt Consumption

An experimental farm in Michigan reports that a reasonable salt allowance for heavy horses is about one pound per week. It is brought out that one of the most frequent causes of excessive loss of weight and fatigue in horses is due to insufficient salt. In many cases, delicate eaters and shy drinkers will show an increased appetite when allowed free access to salt.

## Australian Appaloosa

Lt. Col. Sir Rhys Llewellyn, of Bart, Australia, has St. Fagans Spotlight standing at St. Fagans Court, Glamorgan. The Appaloosa Horse Club, Moro, Oregon, was established to preserve and develop the spotted horse as a separate breed. In the old time Indian days it is said that Indian chieftains were especially proud of the gay markings of their horses and bred pintos to pintos to get even more gaily marked mounts. The Indian tribe near Palous River, whence comes the present Appaloosa name, succeeded best. To be eligible for registration, Appaloosas must have a white rump covered with spots, but the rest of the body may be any color.

## \*Challenger II Sons

W. L. Brann's Glade Valley Farm, near Frederick, Md., has reported 8 colt foals by \*Challenger II this spring, owned by Mr. Brann, and in addition, there are a filly by \*Challenger II owned by Donald P. Ross and a colt, out of Equipe, by Equipoise, owned by Breckenridge Long. Mrs. R. L. Gerry's Land of Oz, by \*Sir Gallahad III, has a bay colt by Eight Thirty, foaled at Glade Valley. One of Mr. Brann's \*Challenger II colts is out of Laura Gal, the \*Sir Gallahad III mare.

## Higher Stakes Monies

The Wood Memorial, Kentucky Derby and the Preakness aggregated \$112,800 when Gallant Fox won them and the same stakes were worth \$218,126 this year when Assault won.

## Fire Prevention Survey

A nation wide survey of race track fire prevention is being made by the T. R. P. B. staff, all of whom are trained by the F. B. I. in the elimination of fire hazards and the detection of sabotage in war plants during the war.

## Charles Town Stewards

Col. John F. Wall, Camden, S. C., John T. Morrissey, Lexington, Ky., and William Bell Watkins, M. F. H., Berryville, Va., are stewards for the forthcoming Charles Town Jockey Club meeting which begins on May 29 and continues through July 20. Both Col. Wall and Mr. Morrissey are returning to steward duties which they resigned when entering the Service.

## Gallant Fox and Assault

Should Assault win the Belmont Stakes on June 1, he will be the 7th colt in Turf history to win the Triple Crown—Kentucky Derby, Preakness and Belmont Stakes. If he wins, he will break Gallant Fox's record, made in 1930, when the Belair Stud colt earned \$308,275, a record for a single season. Assault has won \$226,120 and is within \$82,155 of Gallant Fox's record, to date.

## First Flight

C. V. Whitney enjoyed a spectacular owner-bred success when his 2-year-old filly, First Flight, won the Fashion Stakes in her first start. This daughter of \*Mahmoud—Fly Swatter, by \*Dis Done flashed the 4 1-2 furlongs in :51 seconds. This equalled a 17-year-old track record at Belmont Park. Col. Whitney was out there to meet his First Flight when she entered the winner's paddock.

## Armstrong Commissioner

F. Wallis Armstrong, of John P. Grier and \*Easton fame, a New Jersey breeder, has been appointed by the Governor of New Jersey as a racing commissioner for the state. A true student of the Thoroughbred, known for his fearless fair play, Mr. Armstrong, a regular signor to the yearling sales, is a great adjunct to the already fine New Jersey racing body.

## Postmortem Prestige

Nydrie Stud's (Va.) Camelot, purchased for \$23,000 last fall from Arthur Hancock's Claiborne Stud, died this spring, after producing a colt by Stimulus. Mrs. Ray Alan Van Clef and son's Nydrie nursery lost a great producer in this daughter of \*Sir Gallahad III—\*Cross of Gold, by Gay Crusader, bred by Marshall Field. Dam of the good winner Pamela, she enjoyed further postmortem prestige as a producer, when her juvenile filly, Blue Grass, won the Debutante Stakes recently.

## Super Suburban

The \$50,000 Suburban Handicap, at 1 1-4 miles, at Belmont Park, May 30, will undoubtedly bring out Armed and Stymie, as related elsewhere in this column. Others with intentions of proving their handicap class perhaps will be First Fiddle, Fighting Step, Sirde, Polynesian and Pavot. Gallorette, winner of the Metropolitan Handicap, when she beat Sirde by a nose and First Fiddle another nose behind, is also eligible.

## California Circuit

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Open hunters—1. Comet, Olive Crossen; 2. Bar Fly, Kathleen McLoughlin; 3. Scrap Iron, Barbara Worth Zimmerman; 4. Sun Cloth, Cloverdale Farms.

## SALANO COUNTY

Open jumpers—1. Billy Sunday, Barbara Worth Zimmerman; 2. Bivouac, Eva Gene Dauger; 3. Don't Storm, Dorothea Herrmann; 4. Kautious Kitty, Fred Anderson; 5. Sir Grenville, Jo Ann Repose.

Open hunters—1. Mr. O'Malley, Ann McCoy; 2. Blind Date, Muriel Butler; 3. Iron Saxon, Barbara Worth Zimmerman; 4. Gonna Storm, Jo Ann Repose; 5. Bar Fly, Kathleen McLoughlin.

# Grass Roots



## Ramie May Detonate Industrial Revolution

By A. Mackay Smith

This column usually tries to deal with matters that may be of immediate and practical use on the farms of its readers. Many of them have been kind enough to write us about the good results they are getting with the practices we have suggested. This week, however, we deal with a subject which will probably not affect any of us directly from a farming point of view, at least for some time to come. Nevertheless, it is one which is big news in agricultural circles, so big that it may be the basis of a far-reaching revolution.

By way of comparison think back to the year 1794 when a Massachusetts man named Eli Whitney, just out of Yale College, went to visit a friend of his family's, Mrs. Nathaniel Greene, widow of the Revolutionary general, at her plantation on the Savannah River. He was at a loss to decide upon a career and hoped something might turn up.

It did. At dinner one night a group of neighboring planters fell to discussing the difficulty of separating by hand, the short staple upland cotton from its seeds, a process so laborious that several of them doubted whether cotton would ever be of any commercial importance. Whitney pricked up his ears and next day set to work. In a few weeks he produced a wooden cylinder set with rows of slender spikes half an inch apart extending between the bars of a grid so closely that the seeds could not pass between. The lint was pulled through by the revolving spikes, however, and a revolving brush swept the seeds into another compartment.

So, in all simplicity, was born the

cotton gin, a machine which made possible the textile cities of England, the charming civilization of "Gone with the Wind" and the Civil War. A boy just out of college looking for something to do rocked the world with a bit of Yankee ingenuity.

To-day we have another fibre, equally difficult to clean, which has possibly found a second Eli Whitney. It is called ramie and comes from south China. From perennial roots, stalks looking something like nettles, grow 4 to 7 feet every 2 months, making possible at least 3 cuttings a year. Inside the inner-bark are fibres from 5 to 20 inches long. They are filled with gums and pectins so adhesive that a Chinaman, pounding the stalks with a stick, can produce no more than 4 or 5 pounds of moderately clean fibre a day.

The qualities of ramie have long been known to textile experts and fortunes have been spent in trying to develop machines that will do an efficient and economical job of cleaning. It is said that nearly a 100 years ago, the British Government offered a prize of several 1,000 pounds to anyone who could invent such a machine. After repeated failures the offer was finally withdrawn.

What is ramie good for? The answer is an advertising man's dream. It is said to be bigger and better than any other textile material, natural or synthetic. It can be spun or woven, alone or blended with other fibres, on machinery now used for cotton, wool, silk or rayon. Woven with wool it prevents shrinking. It absorbs moisture easily, dries quickly,

ly, washes well, resists mildew and permits easy removal of the most difficult stains. Repeated washings have little or no effect on its original appearance; a shirt, laundered 65 times, still looks almost like new.

Ramie is eight times stronger than cotton or silk and as elastic as cotton. It is 50 percent stronger when wet, gives off no lime and when dyed, holds its color better than other fibres. The leaves contain more protein than alfalfa and twice its fat content. As a by-product of fibre extraction they should provide a new and valuable source of livestock feed.

Quite something, isn't it? It will be some time, however, before you can get a piece of ground ready and ask your local seedsman for some ramie. There are experimental fields in Texas, Alabama and Georgia. There are 1,000 acres of it growing in the muck land of the Florida Everglades and several 1,000 more are being prepared for further plantings. In this soil, a stand is good for at least 4 years and from 500 to 800 pounds of fibre per acre can be harvested yearly. Present varieties will not grow where there is more than 2 to 3 inches of frost, but plant breeders will undoubtedly extend its range northward.

Wheeler McMillen, editor of the "Farm Journal", has investigated the Florida project which is backed by 2 of the country's largest industrial corporations. Two big processing plants are now going up and soon will be in production. The design of the machine to decorticate and degum the ramie stalks is, of course, very hush hush. McMillen has not even seen one. It is understood, however, that it is similar in principle to that used for hemp, that the stalks are processed green and the gums washed out with heavy jets of hot water.

During the war the very limited quantities of ramie were bought by the Navy for packing the stern tubes of submarines for about 40 cents a pound, a gross yield of well over \$200 an acre. What the price will be when it becomes available in quantities sufficient for the thousands of industrial uses for which it is particularly adapted, no one knows. Much will depend upon the efficiency of the extracting process. Evidently the present promoters are convinced they have something. If they are right, we may have an agricultural revolution of the first magnitude on our hands.

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## Notes From Great Britain

By J. Fairfax Blakeborough

### English Courses Prepare To Receive Horses By Plane; Distance Races Of Note

In view of the certainty that in the near future horses will be transported by air from training quarters to meet their engagements, and from one meeting to another by the same means, and that more and more sportsmen will fly to race fixtures, several executives are discussing the possibility of landing-grounds for planes. In quite a number of cases—Doncaster, York, Beverley, Pontefract, Lanark, Ripon, Carlisle, Stockton, Catterick and Thirsk in the north for instance—sufficient space can be found for a 'plane park adjoining tracks.

It is understood that the stewards of the Jockey Club hope to have a landing-ground at Newmarket within a few weeks, so that the ruling body are giving a lead in keeping abreast with the times. The other day Fred Armstrong and Eph Smith flew from Newmarket to Edinburgh. This, of course, saved a tremendous lot of time as well as a tedious journey. There have been one or two cases of jockeys riding, and trainers saddling horses at two meetings in one afternoon by the aid of air transport, and there is no doubt that the 'plane is going to play a much bigger part in racing.

#### By Air Same As Van

The effect on horses is yet to be proved by experience. In America it is stated that flying animals to race fixtures has no more nerve-upsetting results than boxing them by road or rail. There will, of course, be "funky" horses, which will sweat and take a lot out of themselves when being en-planed and carried by plane, just as there are animals which lose a stone (plus their appetite and form) on a rail or road journey. Probably it will be only a matter of time before horses get used to air travel, and the view of some trainers is that it will save the exhaustion and strain of long railway journeys, and also remove the necessity of horses being thrown off their feed in a strange box the night before they have to run.

#### Distance Rides

I see no reason to doubt the statement made by a horseman that he rode one horse 120 miles from sun-up to sun-down in South America. Apparently some of those who heard this claim doubted either the ability of a horse or rider to perform this feat, one sportsman describing it as "an absolute impossibility". It is not clear whether the endurance of the rider or the horse was questioned. If the former, we have Osbaldeston's oft-quoted wager (which he won) to ride 200 miles in 10 hours.

Actually he did this in 8 hours 42 minutes, the number of horses he rode being unlimited. Actually he rode 28.

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Hounds, he regularly hacked over 30 miles from Newcastle 3 times a week, hunted all day (covering often over 50 miles), then hacked back to Newcastle-on-Tyne. Prior to the days of motors it was no uncommon thing for men to ride nearly 30 miles to meet hounds, hunt the same horse all day, and ride long distances home after hunting. In some cases quite 100 miles would be covered in a day on the same horse.

In March 1823 Capt. Pigou, 2nd Dragoon Guards, for a wager of £200, rode one horse 120 miles in 22 1-2 hours on Bramham Moor, Yorks. The report of the wager states he was allowed 25 hours, and adds "neither he nor his horse were distressed".

In 1760 Mr. Jennison made a bet with Hugo Meynell that he would find a person to ride 100 miles a day on any one horse, each day for 29 successive days, number of horses not to exceed 29. He won the wager, 14 horses being employed. One tired after 60 miles and Woodcock had to start again, riding 160 miles that day.

(Editor's Note: Our managing editor rode a Western-bred broncho polo-pony down the Mission Trail in Mexico, from Magdalena, 86 miles in 14 hours, riding at over 190 lbs., in 1933. It is believed that horses with hounds average fully 8 miles per hour. Long days, combined with long hacks to meets and home again in Virginia frequently run up a day's mileage to more than 50 miles. Kenneth N. Gilpin, among others, can recall the days of sending horses from Millwood and Boyce, over the Blue Ridge Mountains, to Upperville and Middleburg, Va., a distance of 20 miles or more for meets in the old days.)

#### Sport And Coal

The Coal Minister has expressed the opinion that mid-week racing is having a detrimental effect upon coal production. The Jockey Club has had no official communication from the Government on this matter, but would grant no more mid-week fixtures should they be requested to confine racing to Fridays and Saturdays. The list of meetings already published has been arranged in close co-operation with the Government, and care has been taken not to grant dates except at week-ends, to tracks in coal mining areas. An exception is the Doncaster St. Leger. Incidentally, the Government was anxious at the end of the war, to encourage all forms of sport, recognising in this a safety-valve.

#### Learning Of Horses

Recently I referred to the fact that a considerable number of those who have entered the Turf arena as owners and trainers since the war, "know it all in five minutes." This week J. W. Greenwood, a well-known Yorkshire dealer, who has owned some useful sprinters, mentioned my criticism of the impatience of the new brigade with the older hands, who have through long years,

bought their experience.

Said Mr. Greenwood: "There is an old saying amongst horsemen: 'We knew it all at 20; at 40 we find

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## Steeplechasing

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away, and ahead of MaMie's Lad, owned by A. J. Paciello, and ridden by Jockey Adams.

### SUMMARIES

#### BELMONT PARK

Cl. 'Chase, Tues., May 14, abt. 2 mi., 4 & up. Purse, \$3,500. Net value to winner, \$2,250; 2nd: \$700; 3rd: \$350; 4th: \$175. Winner: Br. t. (6), by Sammle—Little Charmer, by Sun Charmer. Trainer: Mrs. C. E. Adams. Breeder: J. H. Lewis. Time: 3:52 3-5.

1. Little Sammle, (Mrs. C. E. Adams), 144, F. D. Adams.

2. Picture Prince, (Mrs. E. duPont Weir), 148, J. Magee.

3. Frederic II, (I. Bieber), 142, E. Jennings.

Five started, and finished; also ran (order of finish): G. Black's Strolling On, 137. T. Field; M. Seidt's Similar, 138. L. Malen. Won cleverly by 3/4; place driving neck; show same by 2. No scratches. Little Sammle claimed by G. H. Hostwick.

Allow. Hurdles, Wed., May 15, abt. 1 1/2 mi., 3 & up. Purse, \$3,500. Net value to winner, \$2,195; 2nd: \$700; 3rd: \$350; 4th: \$175. Winner: ch. h. (7), by Knocker—Reineta, by Alum. Trainer: J. M. Jerkins. Breeder: in Chile. Time: 2:54 4-5.

1. \*Macanudo, (J. M. Jerkins), 144, F. D. Adams.

2. Flying Dolphin, (F. A. Clark), 148, C. Gibson.

3. Teton, (Mrs. E. duPont Weir), 138, J. Magee.

Eight started and finished; also ran (order of finish): Mrs. F. A. Clark's Last, 132, W. Br. Land; Mrs. J. E. Ryan's Donomore, 133, H. Harris; A. Bonuomo's Phalanger, 144, A. Baum; H. E. Talbott's Pedeeche, 139, J. Gayer; F. E. Dixon, Jr.'s Sole Parade, 139, M. Morris. Won easily by 1 1/2; place driving by neck; show same by 4. No scratches.

25th running Charles L. Appleton Stake 'Chase, Thurs., May 16, abt. 2 mi., 4 & up. Purse, \$7,500 added; net value to winner, \$6,185; 2nd: \$1,500; 3rd: \$750; 4th: \$375. Winner: b. g. (4), by Silver Image. Trainer: J. E. Ryan. Breeder: in Chile. W. A. Clark & S. J. Parr in Eire. Time: 3:52 4-5.

1. \*Burma Road, (Mrs. E. duPont Weir), 138, J. Magee.

2. Floating Isle, (T. T. Mott), 151, R. S. McDonald.

3. War Battle, (K. Miller), 152, F. D. Adams.

Six started and finished; also ran (order of finish): M. A. Cushman's Rouge Dragon, 16, M. Fife; Mrs. F. A. Clark's Chesapeake, 14, F. Kratz; Miss E. Widener's Iron Shot, 14, L. R. Evans. Won easily by 5; place driving by 7; show same by 1/2. Scratched: Annotator, Soldier Song.

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1. Hidalgo, (Mrs. F. A. Clark), 145, F. Kratz.

2. Lieut. Well, (B. Sharp), 146, R. S. McDonald.

3. Virelay, (Montpelier), 131, M. Fife.

Eleven started and finished; also ran (order of finish): Clymallyn Stud's Quonset, 14, J. Meyer; Brookmeade Stable's Big Three, 14, F. D. Adams; fell: 12th fence, F. A. Clark's Bold, 146, C. Gibson; fell: 28th fence, R. A. Miller's Tetrol, 142, R. Miller; fell: 9th fence, Mrs. E. duPont Weir's Cremery, 142, J. Magee; lost rider: 6th fence, L. E. Talbott's Kittiwhisk, 141, J. Zimmerman; lost rider: 6th fence, K. Miller's Battle Cruiser, 138, D. Marzani; lost rider: 3rd fence, W. Brown. Won easily by 5; place driving by 2 1/2; show same by 15. Scratched: Port Mary, Persepolis, George Corn, Equal Ardor.

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Allow. Hurdles, Sat., May 18, abt. 1 1/2 mi., 4 & up. Purse, \$4,000. Net value to winner, \$2,520; 2nd: \$800; 3rd: \$400; 4th: \$200. Winner: b. g. (6), by Jackdaw of Rhelms—Babette, by Arch-Gift. Trainer: H. Jacobs. Breeder: T. Keating in Eire.

1. \*Nayr, (I. Bieber), 138, T. Field.

2. Refugio, (Mrs. C. E. Adams), 150, F. D. Adams.

3. Galt Reigh, (H. S. Horkheimer), 141, M. Fife.

Eight started and finished; also ran (order of finish): Mrs. F. A. Clark's Mat, 138, F. Kratz; T. T. Mott's Kennelunk, 137, R. S. McDonald; Mrs. F. A. Clark's Raylyn, 16, W. Breland; Mrs. D. B. Stephens' Fleet Fox, 132, E. Ireland; Mrs. D. B. Stephens' Bold Shirt, 133, W. Mallison. Won driving by neck; place same by 2; show same by 3 1/2. Scratched: Fair Crysta, Yankee Chance.

Cl. 'Chase, Mon., May 20, abt. 2 mi., 4 & up. Purse, \$3,500. Net value to winner, \$2,250; 2nd: \$700; 3rd: \$350; 4th: \$175. Winner: ch. h. (9), by Strolling Player—Markiluna, by Sir Martin. Trainer: J. T. Skinner. Breeder: Audley Farm. Time: 3:58.

1. Strolling On, (G. Black), 141, T. Field.

2. Frederic II, (I. Bieber), 144, E. Jennings.

3. Bridlespurs, (T. T. Mott), 135, R. S. McDonald.

Five started, four finished; also ran (order of finish): A. J. Paciello's MaMie's Lad, 146, F. D. Adams; lost rider: 11th fence, J. Bodley, Jr.'s Sir Bluesteel, 137, W. Mallison. Won easily by 8; place driving by 4; show same by 2 1/2. Scratched: Picture Prince.

Cl. 'Chase, Tues., May 21, abt. 1 1/2 mi., 3 & up. Purse, \$3,500. Net value to winner, \$2,250; 2nd: \$700; 3rd: \$350; 4th: \$175. Winner: ch. h. (9), by \*Sickle—Ormonda, by Superman. Trainer: J. E. Ryan. Breeder: J. E. Widener. Time: 3:56.

1. Binder, (Mrs. E. duPont Weir), 153, J. Magee.

2. Art School, (T. T. Mott), 136, R. S. McDonald.

3. Zadoc, (H. E. Talbott), 136, J. Gayer.

Eight started and seven finished; also ran (order of finish): I. Bieber's Black Ned, 146, T. Field; L. H. Nelles' George Corn, 135, F. D. Adams; J. C. Brady's Frothy, 131, J. Zimmerman; J. M. Jerkins' Ohlala, 140, H. A. Jenkins; fell: on flat after 8th hurdle, B. Sharp's Hada Bar, 130, C. Peoples. Won easily by 1; place driving by 15; show same by 3. Scratched: Fair Crystal.

# In the Country



## Douglaston Young Ones

Mrs. Hugh Barclay's Douglaston Manor Farm, near Pulaski, N. Y., has some young ones to come out on the horse show circuits this season. Green and never yet shown, Douglaston has 2 greys, a 5-year-old gelding by Silver Cord—My Premier and a 3-year-old filly by Flag Pole—Dana-lax. Charles S. Goode, manager, is also working with a chestnut 5-year-old gelding by Cherry King II—Montgomery Maid. The Douglaston string of 10, is entirely new with the exception of 2 veterans. They will go west before coming east.

## Woods In New York

Chris Wood, Jr. is out of the Marines and with the Kaiser Frazer Corp., in New York, publicly relating the new auto product. Mr. Wood, Jr. was well known along the 4th estate lanes of turfdom; did radio readings of runnings of hunt meeting feature races as well.

## Unusual Features

Mrs. Joshua Barney, Herbert E. Ingram and others have contrived some unusual features for the Fairfield County Hunt Club Horse Show, Westport, Conn., the end of June. They have two entry closing dates, the last one calling for double fees. Strip horses (conformation hunters) are not permitted to compete in the working hunter divisions. Col. Stu Bate, from Toronto, Lewis Bredin, of Detroit, Mort Fuller of Scranton, Penna., and Col. John Waters, Washington, will be the arbiters for the \$500 stakes.

## Horse With the "Jap Face"

T/4 Ralph E. Rooks of Waterville, N. Y., wrote recently about the first show of Japanese Thoroughbreds in Tokyo. Rooks said, "Most of the horses were rather small and scrawny but it was interesting to compare their show to our own." Rooks also forwarded a picture of Pfc. William Mahone, Petersburg, Va., who rode an extremely ugly but perhaps typical Japanese "Thoroughbred", owned by the Japanese Racing Assn. There is that sullen "Jap look" about this horse's face which makes one wonder if the "Tojo expression" has spread even to the Japanese horses.

## N. J. Open Horses

"Every day", writes a keen horse show enthusiast from New Jersey, "you hear of a new open horse around Hudson County." Leo McLaughlin, in charge of Dr. Howard A. Welch's stables has a big, brown gelding, Glendale, by Constitution, schooling over the proverbial moon. Russell Lynady's Plea O'Doon, by Brig O'Doon, is in fine fettle these days and this owner also has a new hunter ready for the circuits.

## Bergen Horse Co.

One of the oldest landmarks in New Jersey horse business disappeared on Saturday, April 13, when the Bergen Horse Company removed its historic headquarters on Communipaw Ave., Jersey City, N. J. Sales were held there, run by the lovable Dr. William H. Brown, for almost half a century, attracting a huge and variegated crowd every Wednesday. Drawn by the battered sale flag which heralded "Horse Sale Today", business men, judges, doctors, lawyers, swipes, gyps, dealers, big and small, came by the hundreds each week,—all looking for that "good one". Dr. Brown has obtained the old Summer-Halsey stable on Duncan Ave., near the show grounds in Jersey City, to carry on. There Anthony Giordano used to stable his hunters and jumpers. Mr. Giordano sold off many of his horses on April 3 in a sale to make room for the new enterprise. He has still retained a small string of hunters and jumpers which he will campaign this season, including the Chilean mare, \*Fast Time, which was a consistent winner last year.

## First Time Winners

Shaffie, a likely sort of 2-year-old for 1946, and his jockey, Sammy Walters, both broke their maidens this year in their first race. Owned by Rock Hill Farm, Shaffie, is trained by J. P. "Doc" Jones, of Charlottesville, Va., and it was his decision to send out the combination the opening day at Havre de Grace. Shaffie, with Walters riding, has accounted for the Aberdeen at Havre de Grace and the Ral Parr at Pimlico. Under contract to Dr. Jones, Walters is almost blind in his left eye, the result of an accident with a kitchen knife as a small boy.

## "Willie White"

There is a lot of favorable comment on the riding ability of Jockey Frank D. "Dooley" Adams this year among 'chasing fans. He has been riding some of the Arthur White trained and also is "contract" for his mother, Mrs. C. E. Adams, who trains a number of jumpers herself. Mr. Adams, Sr., a rider in his native England, is a horseman himself. Jockey Adams' sister is equitation teacher at Miss Porter's School, Farmington, Conn. The entire family consider Refugio, 8-year-old 'chaser, a California-bred son of Palatine Boy or Iron Crown, one of them—calling him "Willie White".

## Jockey McDonald

Robert J. McDonald rode his first steeplechase at Pimlico recently, on the 2nd day of the meeting. He finished 5th on Thomas T. Mott's former Hitchcock 'chaser Kennebunk.



The following day, he was 4th on John Stuart's Rice Cake. After 2 years as a flat jockey he joined the Navy in 1941. As an aviation machinist mate and aerial gunner he took on weight, scales 130 lbs. now. The 23-year-old winner of 120 races as a flat rider is a contract 'chasing jockey for Miss Judy Johnson, successful trainer of Mr. Mott's string and others.

## Hamilton To Germany

Col. Frederick L. Hamilton, chief of American Remount, is off to Germany, not easily giving in to the lack of approbation of the American Jockey Club for the German imports. In Germany Col. Hamilton will leave nothing unturned to get final clearance on the war prizes, currently at Front Royal Remount, Va.

## Tennessee's 125

Thoroughbred breeders in Tennessee expect a total of over 125 royally bred foals by the end of this season. Neighboring Kentucky's greatest sires are represented with progeny already reported, according to Marcellus B. Frost, the oldest man in the South today riding a Thoroughbred horse for pleasure and constitutionals. His Jock, well known contender in the race of his owner's name at the Iroquois Memorial Meeting, is a good honest son of \*Carlaris.

## In The Game Again

Tom Dornin is back in the game again, managing the Belle Valley Stables, in Erie, Penna., for H. L. R. Emmet. Mr. Emmet is a well known horse show owner, and is manager of the General Electric, Erie works. Manager Dornin has been connected with the hunting and show game for many years, having handled such horses as Chatter Chat, Inky and even Big Charley in his time, when managing stables for Mrs. Ellsworth H. Augustus and the George Watts Hills.

## Rank In National

There is lots of rank in the National Horse Show. Lt. Col. Whitney Stone, president of the National Horse Show, has announced that Col. Alfred G. Tuckerman, Jr., was recently elected to the post of secretary of the big New York horse show fixture, with Madison Square Garden dates of Nov. 4-8. Herbert E. Ingram has recently been appointed as assistant to Ned King, manager of the show. Col. Tuckerman had a long outstanding war record in the Pacific with the famed 1st Cavalry Division, where he received the Silver Star, as result of action at Malvar Airdrome, Luzon. He flew reconnaissances flights during this time. He also was awarded the bronze star with 2 clusters.

## On To Devon

The Devon post-war renewal is rounding up the country's leading hunter and jumper exhibitors. They will all be there for the show May 28 to June 1. Advance information is that Adrian Van Sinderen, president of the American Horse Show Assn., will have his hackneys on hand from his Glenholme Farm, Washington Conn., stable. Mrs. George P. Greenhalgh, of Springsbury Farm, Berryville, Va., has her hunter stalls reserved; Martin Vogel Jr., has Broadview Farm hunters entered; Mrs. Elizabeth Correll has 8 hunters to participate; Lloyd Teater has his Morton Grove, Ill., horses coming east; A. H. Mathieu will have Cherry Valley Stables, Riverdale, N. J. entries and so will the Wardacres Farm, from New Rochelle, N. Y.



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## Lively Competition Marks Ontario's First Show Of The Season

"By Pelham"

Blueacres Farm, the property of Mr. and Mrs. Stewart Houlding of Guelph, Ontario, was the setting for one of the season's first horse shows in Ontario, on Saturday, May 11th. The farm situated at Arkel a few miles out of Guelph is a popular rendezvous for lovers of cross country riding as the surrounding district has natural jumps galore and very seldom the footing gets really muddy. Every Sunday sees a few horse owners with trucks or trailers pull in to unload horses, saddle up and enjoy a day's fun.

Starting at 1 p. m., all classes were well filled despite the downpour which lasted until after 4 p. m. Although riders and ring officials got wet, spirits were not dampened and the classes ran off well. Competitors arrived for the show from Hamilton, Guelph, Welland, Toronto, St. Catharines and other points. Hugh Feasby of St. Catharines brought Cark Silvermine, Dark Susan and a green colt, Bellboy, by Inchcape Bell which shows great promise. Four 1st ribbons along with trophies went home to the Feasby stable. A. C. Texter, Welland brought Grey Charm and Golden Rule and took home some trophies also. C. L. Robins, also of Welland, entered 2 green horses. Mrs. Hugh Wilson of Toronto arriv-

ed on the double with her Colleen and later we learned that she had been up early in the morning and was out hunting at 7 a. m. till noon when she brought her horse back to the stable, unloaded, loaded Colleen, grabbed a bite to eat and came on to the show to win the working hunter class. We were all glad to see Miss Watson of Toronto back with her Jack Rabbit in the show ring after her misfortune at St. Catharines last autumn when she had a very nasty fall and was in a cast all winter. Mr. Tom Chalmers of Chicago was among the spectators and thoroughly enjoyed the day from start to finish.

The courses at this show were a little out of the usual in that they resembled natural jumps and were scattered through a field some out in the open with no wings and others between 2 pine trees, which served as a sort of wing. Although some of the contestants regarded the chicken coop built solidly of rails rather dubiously, the majority of horses jumped big over it. One horse, however, made the mistake of hitting it and went down hard.

Ted Cudney had 7 horses competing, ridden by his 2 sons, Dougie and Ross, and Billy Jackson and Lorne Seigle who are both with the Cudney stable, which has some very good jumpers and a very fine hunter in War Bond, a beautiful chestnut. With Bill Jackson now in charge of the stable we probably will see more competition from them than ever

before. Billy is very happy in his new location and the Cudneys are still happier to have a good man to school their horses and take complete charge of things. Merrymount Farms, Toronto, were well represented by Merry Mac and Revelation with Dick Day up. One of the entries, Skyline, owned by Major Perila is due for a trip to Costa Rica where his owner is taking him when he goes in the very near future.

The attraction of the day seemed to be the hot coffee and sandwiches supplied by a local ladies' organization and the kitchen was a popular place all afternoon with chairs pulled up by a good old wood fire which seemed to add a little something to the individuality of the show.

Capt. Paton of Toronto performed the duties of ringmaster while Joe Slattery judged and Mrs. Chas. Rungeling scored.

**Summaries**  
Road hack—1. Barney Doon, W. J. Thurston; 2. Bobby Socks, E. H. Cudney; 3. Esquire, Rim Maybrey; 4. Entry, Mr. Knight.

Open performance—1. Dark Susan, Hugh Feasby; 2. Merry Mack, Merrymount Farms; 3. Ragwood, E. H. Cudney; 4. Cark Silvermine, Hugh Feasby.

Green hunter—1. Bombay, Merrymount Farms; 2. Champ, W. J. Thurston; 3. War Bond, E. H. Cudney; 4. Bellboy, Hugh Feasby.

Children's seat and hands—1. Marion Buescher; 2. Madeleine Beattie; 3. Rose Cudney; 4. Shirley Woods.

Ladies' hunter—1. Topper, Gordon Houlding; 2. Merry Mac, Merrymount Farms; 3. Peter, Mr. McGuiness; 4. Briar Hill, Mr. Knight.

Knock-down-and-out—1. Golden Rule, A. C. Texter; 2. Niagara King, E. H. Cudney; 3. Champ, W. J. Thurston; 4. Dark Mac, Merrymount Farms.

Green performance—1. Lady Victoria, Harry Lampman; 2. Bunt, Gordon Pass; 3. Bombay, Dr. Watson, Merrymount Farms.

Middle and heavyweight hunter—1. Golden Rule, A. C. Texter; 2. Briar Hill, Mr. Knight; 3. Colleen, Mrs. Hugh Wilson; 4. King, C. L. Robins.

Pair of hunters—1. Feasby entry; 2. Texter entry; 3. Merrymount Farms entry; 4. Cudney entry.

Lightweight hunter—1. War Bond, E. H. Cudney; 2. Merry Mac, Merrymount Farms; 3. Arva, Mr. Knight; 4. Springtime, Harry Adler.

Triple bar—1. Cark Silvermine, H. Feasby; 2. Merry Mac, Merrymount Farms; 3. Ragwood, E. H. Cudney; 4. Revelation, Merrymount Farms; 5. Jackrabbit, Miss L. Watson.

Owners up—1. Cark Silvermine, Hugh Feasby; 2. Colleen, Mrs. Hugh Wilson; 3. Brown Rock, Dr. Chassels, Guelph; 4. Royal Princess, Doug Cudney.

Working hunter—1. Colleen, Mrs. Hugh Wilson; 2. Royal Princess, Doug Cudney; 3. Danny Boy, H. Lampman; 4. Champ, W. J. Thurston.

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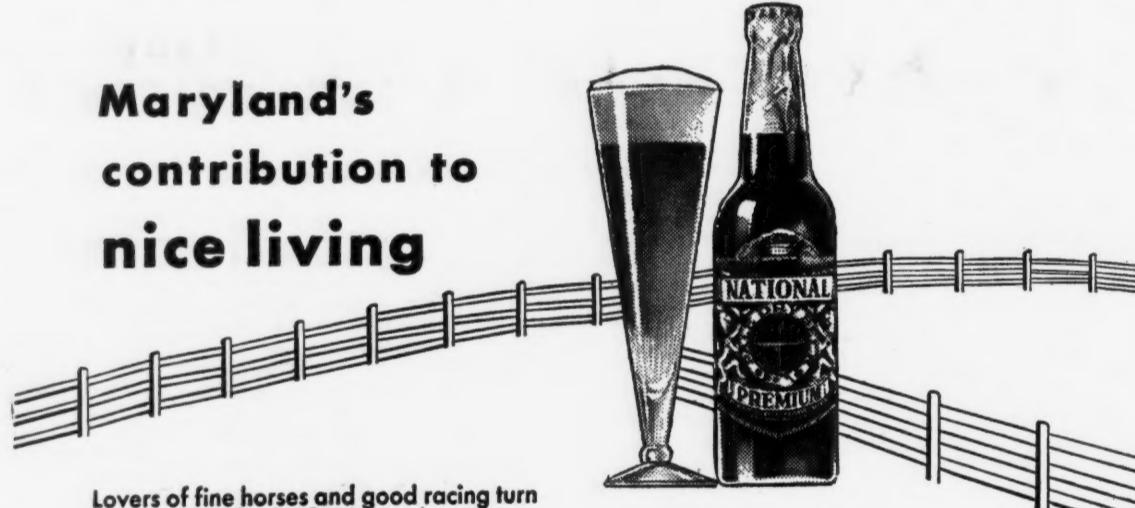
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